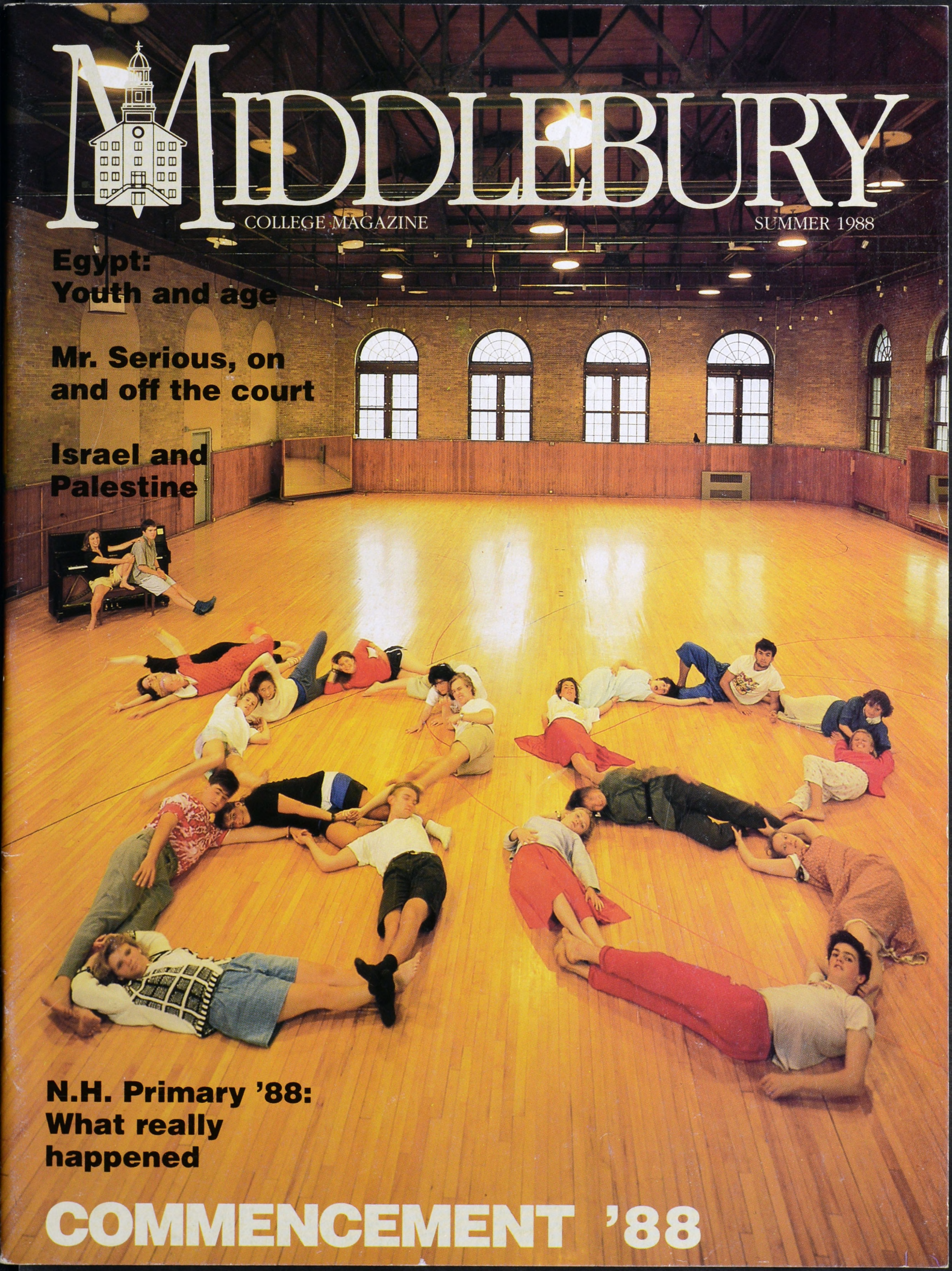

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EDITOR'S NOTE

For one of my last courses at Middlebury, I worked as a co-editor of *Middlebury Magazine*. Now spring term is long over, we seniors have graduated, and all of my friends have departed. But I'm still here trying to write this editorial which, I confess, is a bit anticlimactic.

We chose McCullough as the setting for this issue's cover photograph because we wanted an 88 and figured that a bunch of dancers could come up with a good one. We also thought it was an appropriate way to say goodbye to McCullough as a dance studio; it will soon become a new student center. Besides, it was raining, and we couldn't take the shot of our human 88 outdoors. Of course, at the time we didn't know just how appropriate it would be to photograph our Class of '88 salute in McCullough.

Much of Exam Week in early May was gloriously sunny. We had extremely distracting beach weather right up through Tuesday, the last day of spring term finals. On Wednesday it rained. The Senior Picnic at Bread Loaf (which was supposed to make us feel nostalgic about our Freshman Orientation Picnic there) was changed to hotdogs and hamburgers on paper plates in Proctor. The Bread Loaf Barn Dance became the McCullough Gym Dance. "Are we having fun yet?" I asked a classmate before I left the gym that evening.

On Thursday it rained some more. What if it didn't stop in time for commencement? How depressing. That night, still operating on the then-and-now theme, we were supposed to have our final Terrace Party, another throwback. But due to the weather we were—you guessed it—back in McCullough again. If you want to envision what that was like, don't bother using your imagination.

On Friday it was still raining. Not much, but enough. By then the official rumor being circulated was that the decision had already been made: Commencement would have to be at the field house. Rain and gymnasiums seemed to be the predominant themes in our last few days at Middlebury.

By Saturday, it didn't much matter what the weather was like. We were going to graduate anyway. Doting parents, presents, parties—everything contributed to the joy of being a Senior on Commencement Eve. Sunday morning felt like Christmas. Although we'd stayed up drinking champagne, we were up early, wide awake with anticipation. Nevertheless, we were late because we had trouble affixing our collars to our gowns (masking tape saved us). So this is why they call it Commencement Exercises, I thought as we ran to the field house.

The graduating seniors and the faculty gathered one last time in our own wing of the field house to prepare for our grand entry. We congregated in departmental groups at various points along the indoor track. Then the faculty in their flowing robes formed a procession that began to amble around the track, and we all lined up to salute them as they proceeded past. We whooped and cheered as if they were runners in a 400-meter race. "Track!" I yelled to the English majors who were loitering in the way of the faculty.

After the faculty had done their lap, we followed them in a long parade through the field house corridors to Nelson Arena. The fans, as they say, were going wild as we entered. We could have been the Edmonton Oilers coming out of the locker room onto the rink. "If we get too rowdy they'll put us in the penalty box!" called out someone ahead of me in line.

The crowded arena was hot. (The sun spitefully beating on the roof made it hotter, but nobody was going to complain about that.) "Geez," the person next to me muttered looking at the floor, "they should've left the ice in."

I enjoyed Commencement weekend because graduating seniors can do no wrong. It seemed that people applauded at the mere mention of our names. All we had to do was stand up and people cheered. If we walked into a room, well-wishers would come from all sides to shake our hands.

But we became anachronisms overnight. Now people see me on campus, give me a sidelong glance, and ask, "What are *you* still doing here?"—*Leslie Virostek '88*

Leslie Virostek has been writing for us for two years now. She graduated magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa—and she was a winner of the new Donald Everett Axinn '51 Prize in writing. She'll attend the Bread Loaf School of English this summer and then pursue a career in journalism. We don't have to tell you that we'll miss her.—*ECE*

LETTERS

Middlebury Magazine *welcomes letters from readers on the contents of the magazine or on topics related to the College. We will edit letters for length and clarity (subject to the approval of writers), but we will try to print all letters received. When we receive several letters on a single subject, we will print the best letters offering original viewpoints. Letters for publication must be signed, and they should be addressed to: Editor,* Middlebury Magazine, *Middlebury College, VT 05753.*

Cliff notes

Editor: Bob Marley is gone now. Died of a brain tumor. Peter Tosh killed in his own bedroom in Jamaica. Only Jimmy Cliff remains from that era when reggae was first introduced to the U.S. of A. And Middlebury College had the good taste to bring him to campus last fall—on Parents Weekend, no less, which is how I got my first chance to see Jimmy Cliff in concert. My wife and I had to scramble to get tickets—with no help from our freshman son. We were not to see him throughout the night. I expect to his relief.

Jimmy Cliff came out in a loose-fitting, lemon yellow outfit; he wore what looked like an operating theatre cap, tied in the back. A lopsided star had been sewn to his yellow vest. The flashiest thing on the stage was his brilliant white smile. From our place in the back of the bleachers, he looked like a friendly figure from the Wizard of Oz.

Only one of Cliff's band had any prominent "dreadlocks." It was the dreadlocks which led me to think during the concert of my sometime friend, Jim Watt. Watt and I shared many bits of background—both from Wyoming, both working for Wally Hickel in the early days of the Nixon Administration. But what we definitely did not share was any appreciation for dreadlocks.

Here, with Jimmy Cliff giving us surprisingly melodious numbers, I thought of the Beach Boys and their censorship by Watt several years ago, when he refused to let them play the July Fourth concert at the National Monument.

How did Middlebury's officials handle the appearance of Jimmy Cliff? Not only did they tolerate it but I was to learn later they had been willing to put their pocketbooks at risk to book him here. (The concert actually broke even.) I was to learn that they are most sensitive to the mindset that can occur if a perceived isolation quietly attacks the student population and causes these young people to roll down the roads to Montreal or Boston should the world of current sounds and fashion appear too denied or far away.

From a distance Jimmy Cliff made it look easy. Each player in the band was clearly separated from the other on a stage that stretched across the gymnasium. Their sounds could be separated too—even in the hardest-driving of their numbers. It was Cliff who remained the central focus and on occasion unleashed from those behind him a pure reggae syncopation.

My wife and I moved up close to the stage. Here I realized that Cliff was not a young man. He was giving honest work with sweat pouring off his bony face. But he still was blessed with liquid limbs that worked with grace through his routine.

What was remarkable to us, though, was the young crowd. They were their own best cops. There was no drunkenness. Absolutely none. The smell of pot did waft in a minor way up near the stage. But we saw no one truly stoned.

To me it was a marvel that my wife and I were dancing at our first reggae concert ever—a concert attended by a Southern Baptist preacher (Robison) in a New England town (founded in 1761 according to the shirt patches of the town police force) at the first community college in the country which parenthetically had been launched in part by another preacher (Timothy Dwight from Yale) in 1800.

Wasn't this the quintessential nature of pluralism in America? Wasn't this defining the living role of a liberal education in a democratic society?

What an antithesis to Jim Watt's vision of education; where opportunity is denied rather than sponsored. Where an administration and a church combine to censor rather than to publish; where the country's younger generation is treated to intolerance rather than trust that they can conduct themselves with decency and with care.

We consider our son fortunate. Jim Watt should have been so lucky as to taste both the academic freedom and responsibilities of this place. Our son has the best years of his life upcoming. We hope he thrives. Who knows, we might get invited to a concert with him somewhere along the line.

DAVID D. DOMINICK, Parent '91
Denver, Colo.

Drugs are not a new problem

Having graduated from Middlebury in 1974, I must admit that I find myself chuckling a bit over the furor created by the John Zaccaro arrest and the resulting indignation and "Who Us?" feelings that seem to emanate from the hill.

As an alumnus concerned about drug use, I applaud the creation of a new drug education policy and the articles in your magazine concerning students' problems with drugs. This has been prudential, probably beneficial, and expedient. It is also long over-due.

What the College seems to ignore, or fail to admit, was that there has been a serious "drug problem" with Middlebury students since the late 1960s. During my tenure at Middlebury, marijuana, acid, speed, and "downs" were as common as the Foley's Truck every Friday. Any student could partake of any of these things if he or she had the bucks to spend—and most did. This was everyday life. People dealt drugs, people bought drugs, and people did drugs—some professors included.

It is incomprehensible for me to believe that the administration never knew what was going on in this regard. They simply chose to turn their heads to the problem, if they even considered it one. Everything was okay as long as no one "off-campus" was involved. The resulting publicity would be both embarrassing and negative for the College—something the Zaccaro case has illuminated. In retrospect, this policy of keeping the problem quiet was wrong.

I write this as one who partook, one who had fun, one who was a Dean's List student, one who served as President of the College Activities Board—and now as a concerned alumnus.

I consider it most hypocritical for the College to think (if they do) that this is a new problem—that today's students are or may be responsible for this. We were the roots of today's problem, along with the administration at the time. Let's be honest and realize that drugs have been a problem at Middlebury for a long time.

DAVID Y. PARKER Jr. '74
Putney, Vt.

TAX-WISE GIFTS

BY JANE BRYANT QUINN'60

The QTIP Trust

It's written "QTIP," pronounced "Cue-Tip," and stands for Qualified Terminable Interest Property.

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3. Your spouse's estate gets a charitable deduction, for donating to a qualified, tax-exempt institution.
4. There will never be any estate tax owed on the money.

The beauty of a QTIP trust is that it provides absolute peace of mind.

First, your spouse will be fully provided for. While alive, he or she gets all of the trust's income. Nothing is held back. Moreover, you can give your trustee the power to pay out some or all of the principal of the trust, if your spouse should need it for any reason.

The ability to use principal is enormously important. You don't have to worry that your spouse will lack the funds to cover a catastrophic illness. It also provides a safety valve for a younger spouse, who can't as easily forecast how much money he or she will need. The total flexibility of a QTIP trust lets you cover any unexpected financial problem.

Second, you have absolute assurance that what remains of the trust principal will go exactly where you intended it to, when your spouse dies. Your spouse cannot give the property to someone else. You can leave it all to Middlebury, or part to Middlebury and part to other beneficiaries.

Middlebury does not normally serve as trustee of a QTIP trust in which it is a beneficiary. It prefers that you find a disinterested trustee to control the investments and the use of trust principal.

I should remind you that Middlebury can help you in other ways, to benefit the College while also leaving income to your spouse. There's the pooled-income fund, an annuity plan and a charitable remainder trust. All three plans combine future support of the College with (1) a current income tax deduction; (2) income for the joint lifetimes of you and your spouse; and (3) avoidance of the capital-gains tax on appreciated property.

The QTIP trust, however, adds something extra: the ability to tap trust principal if it's needed. Your spouse could use up all the money, if circumstances require it. If they don't, Middlebury is assured of a gift when you both have died.

Call a lawyer about a QTIP trust today. A bonus is that this simple trust shouldn't add more than a page or two of legal language to your will.

As always, Director of Capital and Planned Giving Mike Schoenfeld and his staff at the College are available to provide more information on a wide range of planned gifts, including the QTIP trust. Give them a call at (802)388-3711, extension 5200.

This is another in a series of columns by Jane Bryant Quinn '60 on how you might give to Middlebury. One of the nation's top reporters on personal finance, Quinn writes columns for Newsweek *and* Woman's Day *and her twice weekly column for the* Washington Post *is syndicated to more than 125 newspapers.*

More advice on minority issues

If Middlebury College desires to attract and successfully retain minority students, as suggested in "Advice on Minority Issues" (*Middlebury College Magazine*, Winter 1988), then several strategies and/or programs must be implemented and maintained, and a long-term, evaluative instrument designed to measure the College's success in dealing with minority students. As a Bread Loaf graduate—and a minority student—I would like to propose a few suggestions:

—As noted in the article, hire minority faculty/staff. There should be less emphasis on publication/research for faculty; teaching competency would be the major focus.

—Create a College Advisement Center whose function would be to track, maintain rapport and contact with minority students, measure students' progress, adjustment, and reactions to Middlebury.

—Recruit minority students from small population centers (20,000-50,000). They might experience less stress adjusting to communities such as Middlebury.

—Financial aid is still a viable, creative tool that should be used.

—Does Middlebury have an Ethnic American Lit/History course taught by a minority faculty member?

I would be more than willing to assist in any possible way in the recruiting and successfully graduating of minority students at Middlebury College.

A.A. METZEGEN-BUNDIY (Bread Loaf School of English, M.A. '86)
Clemson, S.C.

After a year of hard work, there has been some progress in the College's efforts to recruit and retain minority students. For an update on those efforts, see page 34, "An update on Twilight."—Ed.

A worthy threesome

I've just finished reading the spring issue of the *Middlebury College Magazine* and would like to commend you on the three articles about Middlebury's retiring greats: Jackie Flickinger, David K. Smith '42, and Erica Wonnacott. I would also like to add my name to the long list of students, past and present, who owe much of their education to these extraordinary individuals. Whether it was helping organize Canned-Aid or other fraternity social events, engaging in discussions concerning the staffing of the economics department, or conducting a thought-provoking review of the Middlebury Honor Code, each of these individuals provided me with a challenge, an experience, and a truly useful education. Please let me express my

thanks for a debt sincerely owed.
JOHN WOOLLEY '87
New York, N.Y.

Wonnacott the teacher

Your article about Erica Wonnacott is certain to bring memories back to any students who came through Middlebury during her tenure. Unquestionably, her influence extends well beyond the four-year time span of student memories, and well beyond Erica's realization of her own impact. While at Middlebury I had the good fortune to participate in an independent study seminar which included only myself, two other students, and Dean Wonnacott. Both the seminar topic—the writings and teachings of Carl Jung—and the experience of having a class with a dean were new to me, and I almost backed out. Friends assured me that Dean Wonnacott was not one to be afraid of, and over the course of the semester I realized what an understatement that was. She helped me as a friend and advisor that year and the next. I never forgot her kindness and concern. Several years ago I stopped by her office during a visit to the campus, and spent an enjoyable half hour with her. I never really knew if she remembered who I was, but it made absolutely no difference to the warmth of her greeting or her interest in what I was doing.

As fate would have it, I have begun a second career as a college administrator, and I attribute my decision to do this in large part to Erica's unknowing influence on me and her devotion to the ideal of a liberal arts education.

Thanks to you for the wonderful article, and certainly to Erica, for sharing so much of herself with us all.
JONATHAN EHRLICH '75
Winter Park, Fla.

Fact, fiction, and Nicaragua

In the Letters section of the Spring 1988 issues of *Middlebury Magazine*, Marta Riesco '73 accuses me of "complete subjectivity" in my analysis of present-day Nicaragua. The only substantiation she advances in support of her unrestrained censure of my professionalism is the assertion that the Nicaraguan government, which she disparagingly refers to as "the Ortega regime" (note that even the contras have now formally recognized "the constitutional government of Nicaragua" in the recent Sapoa cease-fire agreement), holds "captive some 10,000 political prisoners."

The source of this supposed fact, though Riesco nowhere states it, is the U.S. State Department, in its *Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1985*, where it falsely attributed an estimate of 7,500 to 10,000 political prisoners to the International Committee of the Red Cross. Though Assistant Secretary for Human Rights Richard Schifter later admitted the attribution was erroneous, he nonetheless sought to justify the figures in a subsequent letter to a Congressional subcommittee. In a February 1987 report on Human Rights in Nicaragua, Americas Watch reprinted that letter together with an analysis of its allegations. It concludes that the figures submitted by the Department of State include "*contra* combatants and [Somoza] National Guardsmen convicted of violent crimes," that 3,500 to 4,500 alleged prisoners appear to have been "made up out of whole cloth in an attempt to justify what the State Department previously published," and that most of the remaining prisoners were common criminals.

By the definition which it applies evenly to all countries, Americas Watch could only identify two "political prisoners" in Nicaragua at the time of the State Department allegations, one of whom had been released by the time of its report. Meanwhile, Amnesty International listed not a single "prisoner of conscience" in Nicaragua. Especially noteworthy is that this was the situation *prior to* relaxation of the State of Emergency which followed from the signing of the Central American Peace Initiative last August 7.

Riesco's other assertion is so ludicrous that one is tempted to attribute it to the fevered imaginations of certain segments of the Miami Cuban community: "that jails for political prisoners are run by former Viet-Cong members." In the first place, what political prisoners? If Riesco knows of any particular cases, she could do their cause a real justice by submitting evidence to Americas Watch and Amnesty International. Second, upon what evidence does she make her sensational charge about "Viet-Cong" wardens? Again, if she believes she has any evidence, particularly if she can come up with one or more names, she would do us all a favor by submitting them to open public analysis. Without evidence, all she is doing is lowering the tone and content of public debate on an issue of vital significance to the citizenries of the United States and Nicaragua.

Who, then, is being subjective? Who is making unsubstantiated assertions, capitalizing on the prejudices of the uninformed, in order to demonize a nation that is trying to exercise, for the first time in its history, the right to self-determination to which it is entitled under the charters of the United Nations and the Organization of American States?
ANDREW REDING '75
World Policy Institute
Upper Jay, N.Y.

Particular, indeed

Katherine Follert's lovely piece on Erica Wonnacott in the spring issue contains a quote by me that the dean "was very particular" about what went into the *Campus*. That's certainly what I thought while I was editor; she had the annoying habit of gently upbraiding me every time the paper was outrageously inaccurate or hurt someone's feelings. True to her nickname of "Mother Wonnacott," she was skilled in making irresponsible students feel duly guilty; true to her profession, she insisted that her charges act as adults.

Dean Wonnacott employed a highly personal style at a time when students were expected to assume awesome responsibility over their nascent adulthood. Thanks in part to her, campus disagreements are not quite so public as they have become at other schools.

The good "Mother" performed brilliantly *in loco parentis*. How will future deans do *in loco wonnacottai*?
JAY HEINRICHS '77
Etna, New Hampshire

Thanks to 1988

The Addison County Grammar School Corporation, which is the governing board of Storrs Park, wishes to express its profound gratitude to the senior class of 1988 for its very generous gift of $4300 for the beautification of Storrs Park. It represents a renewal of an old tradition for the senior class each year to plant a tree on the campus. Now that the students walk regularly to Twilight Hall, the park has become familiar ground.

Your gift, together with funds from the College and our corporation, will defray the cost of a landscaped rest area on the Franklin Street side, with permanent tables and benches; a blue-stone patio with shrubbery and benches; a double row of trees masking the ramps back of Twilight Hall; and a small sports area at the northeast corner. The two sets of swings will be repaired and moved as soon as the proper site is decided upon. We hope that funds will become available next year to put a good row of trees around the other three sides of the park.

We welcome your initiative to develop and beautify this historic area, and we are deeply grateful for your very generous contribution.
STEPHEN A. FREEMAN
Pres., Addison Country Grammar School Corporation

Mr. Serious Lightens Up

After three years of individual success on the court and in the classroom, shooting star John Humphrey '88 finally got what he wanted most—a winning season.

By John Zehner '87

Scene one: Sweat dripping down his gangly frame, John Humphrey plops in front of his locker. His teammates celebrate their 79-76 victory over Norwich University with high-five handslaps all around.

It has been another spectacular night for team captain Humphrey, who racked up 32 points, including 12 of the team's last 20 down the stretch. His three-pointer with six minutes left in the game gave his team the lead. Middlebury's record is now 11-8; they are on their way to a 13-9 season, their best in years.

But Humphrey sits with head in his hands, muttering about some missed free throws. "You idiot," he says to himself, "what are you doing missing free throws? They're the easiest part of the game!"

Scene two: John Humphrey, Dean's List economics major, slides into his seat for his "Probability and Statistics" mathematics class with Professor John Emerson, who is handing back last week's exam. Humphrey had studied hard, and he cruised through most of the questions. His grade rewards his hard work—a 93, good enough for an A. But one problem had stumped him completely. Looking at it now, the solution is obvious. He bows his head and mumbles, "Damn. That question was so simple. You could have got a 100, you idiot."

Scene three: John Humphrey arrives for his morning appointment with an Old Chapel dean. "Are you *the* John Humphrey?" the dean's assistant asks. "No," he shakes his head firmly, "I'm John Humphrey."

"Aren't you *the* basketball player?" she says. "No," he answers again, "I'm just a basketball player."

John Humphrey, star student and Middlebury College's all-time leading basketball scorer, is a perfectionist. He wants to make every shot he takes in every game and to score 100 on every exam in every class.

"I don't like making mistakes, especially mistakes I know I didn't have to make," Humphrey says as he leans back in his chair, nervously fidgeting with a basketball. His dormitory room is neat and orderly. "I hate being stupid—on the court, in the classroom, or socially. If I am in control of a situation, I don't want to make a mistake."

It's a quiet pride, perhaps, that can be misunderstood—and Humphrey admits that he has to make a personal effort at times not to take himself too seriously. On the other hand, he's earned the right to expect a lot of himself. While he may not have been perfect, there have been very few mistakes in Humphrey's academic and athletic careers.

The senior has been Dean's List or College Scholar every semester; he was awarded the Hazeltine-Klevenow Cup for combined ability in athletics and scholarship. This season he established a new Middlebury career scoring record with a total of 1,844 points. At the same time he broke the single season (456 points) and game (46 points) scoring records. He was NESCAC (New England Small College Athletic Conference) Co-Rookie of the Year his freshman year. He has been named to the Vermont All-Star team

John Zehner worked this year as sports information assistant and residential hall assistant at the College. He left that job in March to play pro football in England. Photo opposite by Erik Borg '67

three times and this year he was one of only three Division III players to be invited to the New England All-Star game. His senior season scoring average of 28.2 is Middlebury's highest ever and ranked fourth nationally in Division III. He was named 1988 player of the year by the Vermont Coaches Association. He was named to the GTE Div. III Academic All-American.

And to think that he almost left Middlebury after his sophomore year.

For all his personal success, something important eluded Humphrey during his first three years at Middlebury; the teams he played on won just 17 games while losing 42. "I was really frustrated with basketball for a long time at Middlebury," Humphrey looks back. "We had some talented teams, and we just couldn't win. Hell, we couldn't even compete. We were getting blown out of games and losing seven, eight games in a row. All the losses became a blur and I became very depressed."

"He and I talked quite a bit about it," says Coach Russ Reilly, who shared Humphrey's frustration. "It really bothered him that we did not have good team chemistry."

Humphrey considered leaving Middlebury after his sophomore season; his Ivy League transfer applications were turned down. "I did the applications half-heartedly," Humphrey says now. "I was kind of relieved when I didn't get in. I really didn't want to have to make the decision to leave Middlebury because I liked the school and my friends. But our lack of basketball success had altered my perception of the whole situation."

After the team went 6-18 his junior year, Humphrey resolved that his senior year would be different. He would be captain of the team, and he would set an example. "John was not going to go out on a sour note," says Reilly. He trained extra hard through the summer and fall, running, biking, lifting weights, and playing hours and hours of pick-up basketball.

By the time pre-season practice rolled around in November, Reilly had decided to make a key strategy change. Middlebury's basic offense is relatively unpatterned and encourages a lot of "freelance design": "We teach some basic principles," Reilly explains, "and then expect the kids to react to what the defense shows them."

For three years, Humphrey had been the team's "shooting" guard. The Middlebury point guard would bring the ball up the court and start the offense in motion. The first or second pass of each possession was designated to go to Humphrey, whose job it was to "make something happen." Too often, once the ball was in his hands, Humphrey perhaps tried to make it happen all on his own. "His shot selection," Reilly admits, "might have been impatient at times."

With Humphrey at shooting guard those first three years, Reilly decided going into this season, the team hadn't been taking full advantage of its star player's wide range of skills. "John is a great creator," Reilly says. "He can do a lot of things—penetrate, pass, rebound, or shoot."

For his senior year, Reilly moved Humphrey to point guard. As Reilly conceived the new offense, Humphrey would make the first pass, then the team would work to get the ball back to him several passes later—while Humphrey worked himself into shooting position. "He would have to give the ball up," Reilly explains, "and then work to get it back."

Reilly was taking a chance; he didn't know how the team would respond. Would they get the ball back to Humphrey, or was he putting his scorer at the wrong end of the offense? If the team didn't get Humphrey the ball, how would the scorer respond?

Reilly was also unsure how the team would respond to Humphrey the captain: "I worried before the season that John would not be a very good captain for us because of his frustration with the program."

His worries, in the end, proved groundless: "John turned out to be a great captain. He showed great concern for his teammates, called team meetings, helped the younger players, and talked to coaches."

During those tough years as an underclassman, Humphrey had not felt it was his role to speak up. But at the start of pre-season practice, he delivered his first speech. "I told the team I was sick of losing by 15 and 20 points and that all I wanted to do this year was be close in our ballgames," Humphrey says matter-of-factly. "I knew if we stayed close we could win."

Putting Humphrey at point guard also worked even better than Reilly had hoped. "The team worked really hard getting me open and getting me the ball with an opportunity to score," Humphrey smiles. "I think on the other teams I played on here, there was a little resentment of my scoring, but this team wanted me to shoot. This team was great because everyone knew their role. Pat Mcdonough ['89] was supposed to get rebounds. Mike Gill ['90] played great defense. Pat Torpey ['89] hit three pointers. And I was supposed to score."

As Reilly says, "We had kids who were bright enough to understand that John would have to get the ball back if we were going to score a lot of points."

The result was what Humphrey had missed in the past: good team chemistry. Setting out with the goal of just being competitive, the team went on to post a 13-9 record, barely missing out on a bid to the ECAC tournament. They lost just one game by more then ten points; seven of their victories were in games decided by five points or less. For the first time in ten years Middlebury defeated archrival Williams twice in the same season and also beat perennial Division III East Coast power Clark University.

Reilly remembers the moment when he knew the season would go well; it wasn't the moment one might have expected. In the fourth game of the season, Middlebury lost to the University of Vermont, a Div. I team, 77-65. It would be the team's worst loss of the year. And yet the Middlebury players had never given up, fighting hard until the very end just to stay within striking distance.

Humphrey had played well, scoring 32 points. In previous years, even in the face of good personal performances, losses had dragged Humphrey down. Not that night.

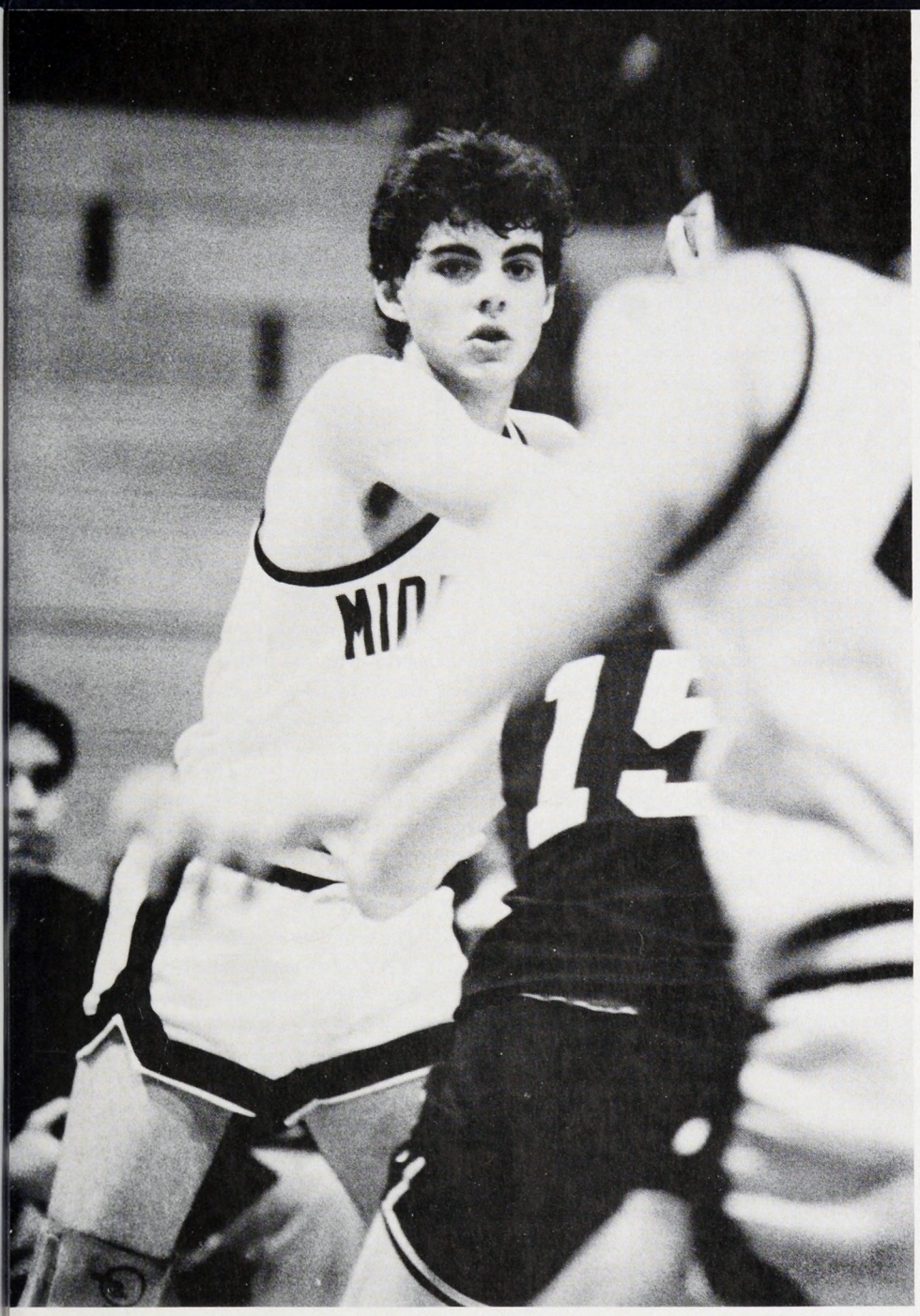
"Coach," Reilly remembers Humphrey saying after the game, with a smile, "we finally have a real team here."

Basketball season stretches from November 1st to early March, overlapping all three academic terms at Middlebury. There is no way for a basketball player to escape the sport for much of the school year. And when basketball was proving to be a disappointment for Humphrey those first three years, it was hard to leave that disappointment on the court.

"I remember playing Williams at Williams my sophomore year," Humphrey says about those dark times. "I must have gone something like 3 for 20, and their fans were giving me a real hard time. Then I had to go back to Middlebury, studying on the bus, and crawl into my closet of a room in a fraternity I really didn't want to be in."

He joined Chi Psi as a freshman and lived there as a sophomore. But the fraternity, like basketball, wasn't living up to his high expectations. The brothers he had really liked as a freshman had graduated. Humphrey was not much of a fraternity party guy. His living situation added to his misery. (He finally left the fraternity his junior year to serve as a junior counselor in Stewart dormitory.)

He was also playing basketball in pain. His calves cramped up frequently during games and practices. The muscles were too big and strong for his stringy legs. (At the end of his



Fred Beckham '87

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sophomore year, he would have a surgical operation, a posterior fasciectomy, which attempts to expand the area around the calf muscle to give it more room. The operation helped some, but even in his senior year Humphrey was still playing in pain.)

Humphrey's only escape in those tough times were his studies. He has always been an outstanding student, but he does not consider himself to be any smarter than other students. He simply works harder.

If he has an important exam on Friday, Humphrey begins studying hard on Sunday. He always plans out what he has to know and how long it will take him to master it. He is always prepared for class.

It's not that he likes to study. But he feels it is an obligation he has to himself and his parents. "I know some people might be going out and having better times than I am during the week," he shrugs. "But I do that during vacations. When you are at school, you are here to do school."

Humphrey majors in economics, but most of his favorite courses have been in mathematics. History texts or novels, he says, "bore" him, but he'll do equations and problems all day long: "Reading a book is just too passive for me. I want to be involved in the work. I want to look at a problem, devise a solution, and then check the answer. I want to know if I am right or wrong. In American Lit or English classes things are ambiguous; I like things to be definite."

His best course at Middlebury? Economics 350, "Macroeconomic Theory," with Associate Professor David Colander—and Colander's textbook *Macroeconomics*. "It was the first time I felt I was learning something practical," says Humphrey. "I also knew that to do well you had to memorize a lot of his text. It was very concrete; you had to learn this formula, that theorem, and apply them. I like courses where I know exactly what I am expected to learn."

Which is not to say that Humphrey simply accepts what professors tell him. He does question and challenge. "I remember the first exam he took in my class," recalls John Emerson, dean of the College and professor of mathematics. "Right after he finished he came up to me and questioned the appropriateness of a question. I thought he was just an average student bucking to get a 62 rather then a 60."

Humphrey's exam turned out to be one of the best in the class. As Emerson now knows,

"It was just his perfectionist nature in action. John sets himself lofty goals and expects to achieve them."

Sometimes, perhaps, the goals and expectations are too lofty. "John is such an intense competitor as a person, student, and player," says Russ Reilly. "He'll always work hard, but sometimes his competitiveness gets in the way of realism. In many ways John can be his own worst enemy. He gets down on himself for things that he can't control."

During those difficult early years, Humphrey perhaps tried to compensate for problems on the basketball court by working extra hard on his studies. Eventually his intensity with academics also began to wear him down. "I really was just too intense and uptight about everything my first few years. I mean, I'm still too uptight, at least that is what my friends say. But I finally started to realize, 'Hey, my life is pretty good.' I was getting good grades and had good friends. I think it took a successful senior year in basketball to help me realize all I really had going for me."

Humphrey does have a reputation among his friends of being "too serious." "We give him a lot of garbage for being Mr. Serious, basically because he is a little more focused than we are," comments friend Jeff Uberuaga '88. "He can be a really funny guy to be around, but when it's time to study or time to play basketball, it's time to be serious."

Dave Goodrow '88, another friend, continues: "I think our role in John's life—or the role he's given us in his mind—is to be a relaxing influence on him. Sometimes he is very image conscious and worried about keeping up his scholar-athlete image, but with us he can just hang out, drink iced tea, and relax."

Brad Brown '88 spent one summer with Humphrey working on an island off the coast of Connecticut. One day Brown and a bunch of other friends decided to go water-skiing, but Humphrey wouldn't go. He'd never done it before and didn't want to look foolish. "John is very careful with his image," says Brown. "He is not going to make a mistake in front of anybody but his closest friends."

Humphrey does have a playful side. When it became apparent at mid-season that Humphrey was having a remarkable senior year, he began to get increasing press attention. Concerned about the impact that attention might have on the team, perhaps, Humphrey entertained them during an away game bus trip by reading aloud, with mock seriousness and self-deprecating asides, one of the newspaper stories. "He had everyone in stitches," says Reilly. "He can be a very funny guy."

John's greatest asset is that he does not look like a basketball player and people tend to underestimate his abilities," says teammate Pat Mcdonough. "He looks like a geeky library hound, which in reality he is, but he has tremendous athletic ability."

At 5'11", Humphrey is short by basketball standards, and he weighs just 155 pounds (in his street clothes with change in his pockets). His arms dangle from his squared shoulders and long, spindly legs abruptly join his torso at the hips. Former teammate Dan Gilbert '87 once commented that he looks like a down-sized Kevin McHale (the gangly Boston Celtics star).

"I remember when I first met him," recalls freshman roommate Brown, "I thought, 'This kid plays basketball, with that body?' I was just hoping he would make the team."

His deceiving looks aren't always helpful. Mcdonough tells a story, heard second-hand, that had Humphrey dropping in at the Boston College gym hoping to play with some of their Div. I players. But they wouldn't let him into their pick-up game, "because he just didn't look the part. He just took his ball and went home, but I am sure it kind of bothered him because he knows he can play with those guys."

Humphrey was reared in Newton, Massachusetts. Sports were always a big part of his life. Originally baseball, not basketball, was his sport.

It wasn't until high school that he grew taller and began to work on his game. He became the star of the Newton North High team—but he worried that his smallish size would make it difficult for him to play in college. "I remember visiting colleges right out of high school and thinking that physically and mentally I was very young," says Humphrey. "Everyone looked too old and confident, and I was very insecure about both hoops and academics."

So he took a post-graduate year at Phillips Exeter Academy. And at first, he was miserable. The work was much harder then he had imagined. He went home every weekend for the first seven weeks.

But when basketball season came around, he began to like Exeter. The team was successful, winning 14 games with two losses, averaging a phenomenal 92 points per game—and so was he, scoring 22 of those points each game. He graduated a bigger and better basketball player—and he was well prepared for the academic rigors at Middlebury.

Humphrey, it seems, has always been Mr. Serious. He's very close to his older brother Scott, who has a lighter attitude toward work and play. When Scott went off to college, their mother reportedly said to him, "Please, Scott, do some work, just please do some work." When John left for Middlebury she said: "Please, John, have some fun, please just have some fun."

I have had so much more fun this year," exclaims a smiling John Humphrey midway through his senior spring. "I've been getting good grades, but I feel as though I haven't been working as hard as I used to. I am more relaxed, and I am having a better time with my friends. It has a really been a fabulous year."

At this year's alumni basketball game, he had a chance to talk with some of his old teammates, who told him how much they miss basketball. "Those guys are nostalgic because they never got the season they felt they deserved," Humphrey says. "Well, I finally got a season that was worth the effort I put into it. I am not going to look back and say 'what if' because 'what if' finally came true."

Those conversations with his ex-teammates did have an impact, suggests Coach Reilly. Humphrey had been talking all year about leaving basketball behind and moving on to Wall Street banking next year. Now he's making noises about moving on to coaching.

He and Reilly have become close over the years. "This year was such a positive experience for him," says Reilly. Humphrey enjoyed working with the younger players and watching them grow and improve—as basketball players and as students. "Great performers don't always make great coaches," notes Reilly, but Humphrey is "an astute student of the game. I think he could be a very good coach."

There are a number of options—including the possibility that he could stay on at Middlebury. "Whatever he chooses to do, I'm sure he'll be a success," Reilly continues. "He is just too competitive to allow himself to fail at anything."

It's just a casual game of one on one against an old friend. The friend jumps out to a quick four to one lead. Humphrey, visibly angered, drives by four consecutive times for lay-ups to win the game.

The friend collapses on the floor, defeated once again. Humphrey is talking to himself as he takes the ball to the perimeter and practices the shots he had missed. "Geez," he says to himself. "Why did you let it get so close? You should have shut him out."

There is enough stone to build 17 Great Pyramids in Egypt's Aswan High Dam. An engineering marvel completed in 1971 with technical and financial assistance from the Soviet Union, the dam with its hydroelectric generators doubled the country's available electrical power. Stretching for 300 miles behind the dam, Lake Nasser provides a steady supply of water for over a million acres of farm land.

But as 21 Middlebury students learned when they visited Aswan in January, difficulties arise when modern technology tampers with age old ways. By no means has the dam been all good news. Given plenty of water, farmers tend to over-irrigate; salt accumulates in the topsoil, and thanks to the controlled water flow of the dam, there is no annual flood to wash the salt away. The damming of the Nile stops the silt that once renewed the land below the dam; farmers must now use artificial fertilizer. The lake has also raised the water table, requiring new large-scale drainage systems.

Led by Geography Instructor Paul Blank, the Middlebury students saw first hand the promise—and problems—of modern Egypt. They visited the usual tourist sites: the pyramids at Giza and Sakarya, the Suez Canal. They spent some time around the pool at Club Med in Luxor, near King Tutankhamen's tomb.

But they also visited a small agricultural village outside Luxor, where the attractions—conversations with the village elders and play with the children—were distinctly untourist-like. A prosperous old friend of Blank's, Shariff, invited the group to his home. "I was impressed by the family's self-sufficiency," records Howard Fauntroy '89. "They kept livestock: cows, water buffalo, and sheep. They also had their own garden in which grew beets, onions, figs, wheat, oranges, lettuce, tomatoes, and dates. Mind you, this was no small family plot." Estimates put Shariff's "garden" at six acres.

Such prosperity is by no means the rule. Almost 96 percent of the land remains uninhabitable, uncultivable desert. Egypt cannot produce enough food for a population which is now over 50 million—and the population increases by one million every nine months. Sixty percent of Egypt's food is imported; Egypt had been a net agricultural exporter in the 1970s. When the government buys food abroad, it sells it cheaply to the urban majority, principally in Cairo and Alexandria. That keeps prices artificially low—and keeps rural farmers impoverished, discouraging productivity and increasing urban migration. One quarter of all Egyptians now live in Cairo. As Ed Seidel '88 notes, "There are just people everywhere."

The economic outlook is mixed. Egypt continues to depend upon foreign aid, which totals $2 billion a year. About half that aid (much of it military support) comes from the U.S.; Egypt is the second largest recipient of U.S. foreign aid, after Israel. Buying food and other necessities abroad, the Egyptian government has built up enormous foreign debt—$35 billion. Under pressure from the international banking community to begin pushing forward domestic economic reforms, President Sadat agreed in 1977 to begin eliminating government subsidies. His first proposal would have raised the price of a loaf of bread, for example, from one cent to two cents. After three days of rioting in Cairo, Sadat changed his mind. Those government subsidies remain in place today.

Under President Hosni Mubarak, there has been economic progress, however, particularly in building up infrastructure. Sewage systems in Alexandria and Cairo are markedly better than they were ten years ago; a subway built for commuters from Cairo's northern suburbs alleviates some of the transportation and crowding problems. Blank, who has been visiting Cairo for ten years, notes in amazement that, "The telephone system actually works." "One thing that I didn't expect was that it would be a real modern city," says Stephanie Brown '89.

Western influences offer promises—and pitfalls—for Egypt. Egyptian culture is dominated by a deep-rooted Islamic heritage. Moreover, an increasingly unsettling trend toward Islamic fundamentalism is regarded as a response both to economic crisis and to Western inroads into Egyptian culture and values.

Egypt's challenge, obviously, is to continue to use Western ideas, capital, technology, and trade to improve its economy, stabilize its population boom, and find its niche in the modern world—without losing its cultural identity and its links with the past. Easier said than done.

Ed Seidel '88

Egyptian Album

Life in Egypt has become a peculiar mixture of old ways and new. These student photographs tell the story.

A different kind of tourism. Valerie Remy '88 (previous page) was one of 21 Middlebury students who traveled to Egypt during winter term. Visits to Egyptian antiquities were an important part of the trip. But also important were conversations with the elders and play with the children in a small agricultural village—not a regular stop on the Egyptian tourist tour.

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Egyptian women and Muslim traditions. Except in Cairo, perhaps, women continue to fill traditional roles. "I never saw women in the cafes," says Jacqueline Woodfork '88 (opposite, lower left). On the street, one can regularly see women walking behind their husbands, as is the custom (left). The Islamic culture is ubiquitous; men make the rules. "We were constantly reminded of it in the different clothing," Woodfork says. The men wear galabias [long, shirt-like robes]. In a peasant market in Luxor (opposite page, lower right), most of the older women around her were completely covered in their black clothing, which included veils (opposite, far left); girls must take on traditional dress in early adolescence. Says Woodfork: "I just felt like I really, really, stood out."

What the future holds. About 40 percent of Egypt's increasing population is younger than 15 years old (below). In 1981, a new Basic Education program extended compulsory schooling to nine years. Efforts have been made to enforce the new rule—especially with regard to girls, who in the past have been held back from attending school. In the 1976 census, 71 percent of women over the age of 10 and 43 percent of men were illiterate. And even as the number and percentage of enrolled students climbs, high birth rates increase the number of children out of school. By the year 2000, that number is projected to be 4.6 million.

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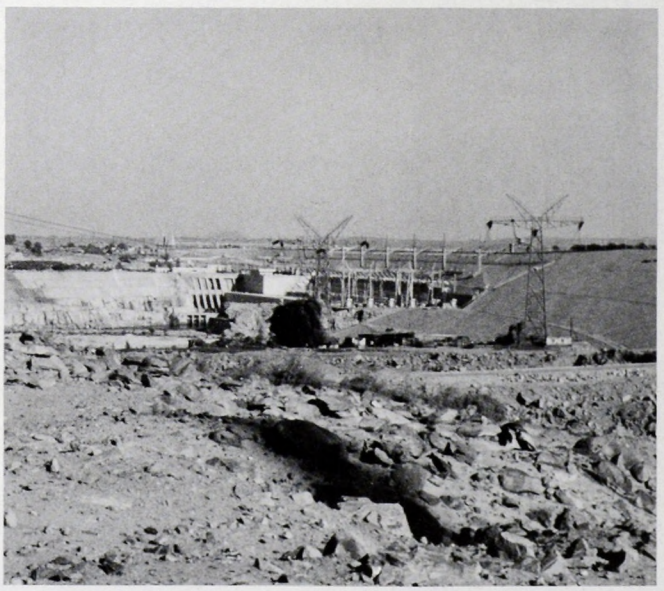

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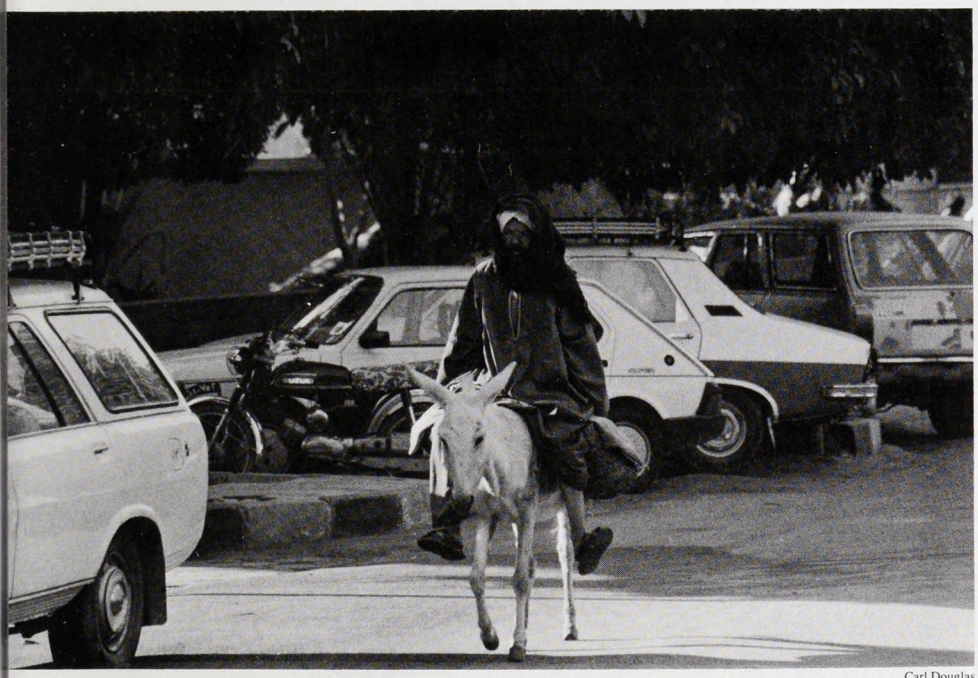

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Old and new. Egypt's cities are both startlingly modern and ancient (left and below). Lynne Telford '89 says, "The classic thing that I will always remember from Egypt, because it so defines the country, is driving down to our hotel from the airport and seeing a Mercedes riding right next to a donkey cart."

Dammed if you do, damned if you don't. The Aswan Dam on the Nile created a water supply in Lake Nasser (opposite, bottom)—but it also caused environmental problems. Ed Seidel '88 calls the dam "the boon and the bane of Egypt."

Youth and age. When the Egyptians built Aswan Dam, the temples of Abu Simbel (opposite, top) were moved to higher ground above Lake Nasser. Accommodating the past while pursuing the future sums up Egypt's task.

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Adventures in Campaignland

Arriving as political tourists, 13 Middlebury students get swept up in the frenzy of the 1988 New Hampshire presidential primary.

Richard Thompson

By Theodore Rueter

A campaign staffer came up to our table and asked, "Would you like to join the Senator for lunch?" After momentary hesitation, seven of us sat down with former Colorado Senator Gary Hart for 45 minutes at the Common Crossing Restaurant in Nashua, New Hampshire. For much of the time, the bright lights of Austrian television recorded the event. We asked many questions: Would he accept Jesse Jackson as his running mate? Were the numerous candidate debates making it difficult for the candidates to like each other? What did he think of Senator Sam Nunn's proposal for a ground-based ABM system to deal with accidental nuclear launches? Does he ever worry about the possibility of assassination?

Hart didn't avoid the questions and criticized the other candidates for lacking "vision." When I defended Pete duPont, the former Delaware governor, as a candidate of ideas, Hart said that the election should be about more than "drug tests and driver's licenses."

Midway through our conversation, Ali Wilson '91 handed me our table's bill. "*I'm* paying for this?" I said. Hart then took the bill! What a guy, we all thought. Picking up a $25 tab was enough to impress us all.

Thirty minutes later, after finally having a chance to finish his soup and rolls, Hart looked at the bill more closely and said, "You were right. This is your bill, not mine."

After the event, we were interviewed by *The Los Angeles Times, The Denver Post,* and Knight-Ridder newspapers. Our impressions? An extremely intelligent and knowledgeable man, yet a tragic figure. Here sat a presidential candidate, presumably looking for votes, and he did not ask us our names, where we were from, what we were doing in town, what we did for a living, or if he could have our support. Our experience confirmed the general image of Hart the intellectual loner.

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Thus began another day in what *Newsweek* magazine dubbed "campaignland"—the highly politicized state of New Hampshire in January 1988.

With a group of 13 students, I toured New Hampshire as part of a winter term course, "Presidential Elections: The New Hampshire Primary." The first week of the term, the class met in Middlebury to discuss campaign strategy, the history of the New Hampshire primary, and the nature of campaign organizations. We also viewed videotapes of three presidential debates held last summer and fall. The class read *The Boys on the Bus* and Hunter Thompson's *Fear and Loathing on the Campaign Trail '72*. (Over the course of the month, students were required to keep a journal, write a newspaper article, and file a report for campus radio station WRMC.)

We set off for New Hampshire on January 11. The students then worked for two weeks in campaign offices scattered throughout the state for the candidates of their choice. We regrouped for the last week of the term; using the Concord Motor Inn as our base of operations, we became political tourists and chased the candidates from event to event around the state.

Our overall goal was to experience first hand the so-called "retail" politics of the first presidential primary. In New Hampshire, television advertising has not replaced the need for buttons, bumper stickers, phone calls, door to door canvassing, field offices, lawn signs, posters, handshaking, and baby-kissing. Candidates charge about the state to engage in town meetings, issues forums, and debates; they visit schools, factories, stores, Rotary Clubs, hospitals, day-care centers, and senior citizen centers. New Hampshire's 586,000 registered voters expect to meet those who would be president.

About 200 New Hampshirites (mostly senior citizens bused in) got to meet would-be president Al Gore, Democratic Senator from Tennessee, at the Alpine Club in Manchester on January 21st. Perhaps they were attracted by the free meal: ham, beans, cole slaw, potato salad, orange juice, and parfait dessert. The organizers carried through the "country dinner" theme with some down-home music, several friendly Tennessee belles, and a cash bar. Gore gave his standard stump speech, calling for a strong defense and policies that would promote American "competitiveness." The voters were impressed. "I think he's wonderful," said Agnes, a 78-year-old woman. "He's got my vote."

In retail politics, the candidates win votes one at a time—and winning each vote takes time, effort, and money. Campaigns keep costs down by using volunteers—as many as they can lay hands on. And converting volunteers into committed campaign workers, ready to knock on doors for their candidates, is a key to success in New Hampshire.

College students have long been the core volunteers for presidential campaigns, most memorably, perhaps, in 1968 when many long-haired and casually dressed activists went "Clean for Gene" to support anti-war candidate Eugene McCarthy.

The volunteer system today has a more formal aspect. The campaigns now take on "interns," with campaign managers working out agreements with colleges and universities so that the students can get academic credit while they volunteer. Campaign managers are thus obliged to ensure that students are given meaningful tasks—more than just letter stuffing, for instance. But it also puts some requirements on the students; they have to show up for work. Oberlin, Gustavus Adolphus, Bethany, Colgate, and MIT, among others, all had students in New Hampshire.

When the Middlebury students offered themselves as volunteers to the various campaigns, the best organized campaigns—those of Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis, Illinois Senator Paul Simon, and Missouri Congressman Richard Gephardt—snapped them up greedily. The not-so-well organized campaigns—those of former Arizona Governor Bruce Babbitt, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, and Al Gore—didn't return phone calls, and, when they did, were noncommittal about housing and campaign responsibilities.

Three Middlebury students worked for the campaign of Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis. Two students each worked in the campaigns of Babbitt and Kansas Senator Robert Dole. Gephardt, Jackson, duPont, and Simon each got one student. One student worked for New York Congressman Jack Kemp and then for Vice President George Bush; another worked for Gary Hart, then switched to the Pat Robertson campaign. The class got a close look at all the campaigns but those of Gore and General Alexander Haig.

Much of what the students did was exactly what you might expect—everything from stuffing envelopes and making phone calls to putting up lawn signs, doing advance work, getting ballot signatures, and cooking breakfast at a campaign event. But in the heat of the chase, even the smallest jobs become magnified in importance.

Erika Burk '90 was a sign-holder at a Dole rally in Portsmouth. "Our role as interns was to spread out around the room, holding signs and cheering when Dole entered," she explains. "At first I felt really dumb, as I held my homemade pro-Dole sign with the motto 'In Dole we trust' imprinted on a picture of a dollar bill. But when Dole entered the room and the cameras from NBC, CBS, and ABC whirled into action, the crowd surged forward and the men with their walkie talkies scanned the room—something rational inside of me snapped. I felt like I had stepped straight out of a scene from *The Boys on the Bus*. I was part of the excitement."

Sometimes volunteers bring special talents to a campaign. Another Dole intern, Sam Hodgson '90, mentioned to campaign staffers that that he had spent two summers driving a lobster truck all over Cape Cod. "From then on any time my name came up it was Sam the lobster truck driver," Hodgson records in his journal.

He was subsequently assigned to drive the lead car in the motorcade that took Dole from the Lebanon airport to the Republican debate at Dartmouth College on January 16th. At the airport campaign staffer Jesse Barfield instructed him to drive right out to the runway, past Bush's Air Force II and Kemp's chartered jet; Dole's jet flew in to join them, and the motorcade was under way. "I started off pretty fast—nothing that would give you a ticket or anything, but the speed limit," Hodgson records. "Jesse signalled with a subtle movement of his hand to slow down. I did. A few minutes later we were back up to the speed limit again. Jesse quietly asked me again to slow down. He seemed very nervous... My biggest misconception of the day. Motorcades move at a snail's pace; they don't speed along!"

Fitting in on a campaign staff meant finding a niche, as Kemp volunteer Laura Farley '90 discovered on her first day on the job. Her initial impression: "Everybody was running around with a total purpose, answering phones, writing messages, doing worthwhile things, and I stood there with three bags and my pink jacket in total dismay." She began to settle in: "I met all the big wheels (of course, without realizing it) and began exploring. I read *all* pamphlets, met *all* people, checked out *all* wall hangings, and was convinced it was *all* too much."

"But, soon enough," her journal records, "they gave me 'my purpose.' I was to be-

come the copy machine queen. Yes, it may be hard to believe that a total newcomer could have such an essential role on only the first day, but I did. Today, between the hours of 12:30 and 10:30, I pushed the print button 6,493 times, filled the paper slot 18 times, and screamed with frustration 8 times. But that's far from all I did. I read through all newspapers and cut out any articles related to the Republican candidates (and copied them, of course), typed some info into the computer, answered 8 million phone calls, and just tried to deal with it all."

"Organization" is a term that is loosely applied to some campaign days. Don Vitouski '89 worked in the campaign office of Bruce Babbitt. He describes a morning that was to have begun with a 9:00 a.m. meeting to lay out the day's events: "It's 10:15 and the meeting hasn't started yet. A typical scene in front of me. Staffers on the phone and computer terminal, volunteers waiting for something to do. Wild Bill is addressing envelopes at an amazingly slow rate. I hope Jimmy the Greek is faster on his sizable letter project. Bill's never been in a hurry but today is something special. From what I hear he's getting burned out on the monkey work and has been whining to get out on the stump or in the streets....

"The meeting finally begins at 10:45.... We are told that we are going through a lot of paper and to conserve, as 'we must stay within our budget!' Susan stood up to tell the staffers to start getting on the phones to offer our supporters 'vacation packages.' *We want you to take time off from your job and do volunteer work for Bruce Babbitt! No pay! No food! No rest! and be prepared to ask for lots of favors and money! Vacation plan A: You take the entire last week before the primary off from work and come along with the campaign! Vacation plan B: take the four days preceding the election (Saturday—Tuesday)! Vacation plan C: take election day off!*"

Phone work is a staple of retail politics and a critical test of commitment for the campaign volunteer. Every campaign makes thousands of phone calls to voters to lay the groundwork for other kinds of campaign appeals. "I spent three hours on the phone tonight calling multi-Democratic households in Manchester," recorded Don Vitouski, who began by hating phone work and ended up merely despising it. "This contact is a precursor to our upcoming canvass there this weekend. We will be dropping off literature at every house and stopping at the 'multi-Dems' to knock on the door and hand the Babbitt stuff to people personally. People remember eye contact. The phone bank and canvass are the first and second steps in a strategy aimed at kicking Babbitt's name into the long-term memory folds of our voters and to provide them with some info to look at. The third step is a follow-up mailing of a postcard after the canvass. I think this attack is probably rooted in the same learning theory as my 'learning skills' class was. Three contacts and it's 'in' supposedly. We'll see.

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In New Hampshire, television advertising has not replaced buttons, bumper stickers, phone calls, canvassing, lawn signs, posters, handshaking, and baby-kissing. New Hampshire's 586,000 registered voters expect to meet those who would be president.

"The responses tonight on the phone were about the same as on other nights: very uncommitted. Sample: *Hello, Mr. Andropopolis? I'm a volunteer for the Babbitt for President Campaign. I'm calling to let you know that some of our supporters will be in your neighborhood this weekend dropping off literature for Governor Babbitt. I want to ask you, if you get a chance some time in the next week, to sit down and take a good look at what Governor Babbitt has to say.* All right, I will. *Have you made up your mind yet on who you will support in the primary?* Not yet. *Thank you.*

"Around 85% of those responding in my calls say they're undecided."

Interns had been warned that working in a campaign is 99 percent work and 1 percent fun. They took orders from the campaign staff. After a late night campaign event, Gephardt Volunteer Philippe Largent '90 was "allowed" to sleep from 4:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., when he was needed to help with a campaign breakfast. In order to get a key mass mailing in the mail, Cristine Meredith '90 worked a 19-hour day for duPont's campaign. Bush staff meetings were held Monday mornings at 7:00 a.m.; the Bush volunteers did not sleep the last 48 hours of the campaign.

The campaigns provided living quarters—loosely termed—for volunteers. In at least one case, that meant sleeping in the office basement—nicknamed "The Swamp"—and showering at the "Y."

Kemp volunteers did get an apartment, Laura Farley discovered after her first day on the job: "Out in the middle of total nowhere land lies a small apartment, next to a realty and another shop, that the Kemp interns call home. It consists of four rooms, no furniture, three lights, a one-channel TV set, a kitchen, and a tinsy bathroom, and water like you've never smelled before. Imagine liquified lawn fertilizer mixed with pool chlorine and sulfur. That's got to be what it was. The others welcomed me in, gave me a glass of bottled water to brush my teeth with, a sleeping bag to sleep on the floor in, and subtle reassurance to help me through the night with. Wow, I can't believe they've been here a week already and are still alive and appear

healthy. Hungry and homesick, I shivered myself to sleep and dreamed of spring term."

So how do campaign leaders manage to get so much work out of their volunteers? Ideological devotion is not an adequate answer, even though several campaigns—especially Kemp's—made the assumption of ideological commitment. Several students enrolled in the course precisely because they knew little about politics. Significantly, their commitment to their candidates increased throughout the month. Four of them stayed on in New Hampshire, on their own, for the last weeks of the campaign—Andrew Friendly '91 with Simon, Philippe Largent '90 with Gephardt, Kirk Richardson '90 with Robertson, and Lisa Raible '90 with Babbitt.

The best campaign managers used every motivational tool in the book. Each student volunteer got a personal pep talk on arrival. Good volunteers are encouraged with the carrot of future paid employment on the campaign staff. There's always the possibility of a useful law school recommendation, or an invitation to the inauguration, or a White House job. Campaign managers dispense titles to volunteers, like "assistant field coordinator." They take interns to lunch or to a movie, hold parties, give away signed copies of the candidate's campaign biography, and take interns on trips. Almost all the Middlebury students attended the candidate debates held at Dartmouth and the University of New Hampshire.

Above all, the best campaign organizations made volunteers feel important by giving them significant tasks. Many students were given major responsibilities, from organizing a canvass and a caravan of trucks with Robertson signs to directing the Babbitt office in Claremont to co-directing the Gephardt office in Manchester to supervising high school volunteers. All the students reported how easy it would have been to sabotage their campaigns, by losing voter lists, erasing computer tapes, or sharing campaign secrets.

Erika Burk recorded some thoughts on her conversion from Middlebury student to campaign staffer. "Phrases such as 'Dole, he's one of us' or 'Dole, America's choice' seemed to slip unthinkingly from my mouth," she discovered as time went on. "Preparing for a post-Dartmouth debate reception, I found myself instructing the Dartmouth students how to best group the tables so that the crowd would look biggest on camera. Perhaps we could get a fire going in that fireplace? That would make a cozy backdrop for Dole. I no longer had the naive mind of a student, but that of a campaign staffer, intent to win."

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How important are volunteers? One week before the election, polls showed Bush and Dole in a close race for the New Hampshire lead among the Republicans. Some have attributed George Bush's dramatic and convincing victory to a barrage of "negative" advertising on the weekend before the primary. But it should be noted that the campaigns with the largest number of volunteers—Bush and Dukakis—turned out to be the primary winners.

The Bush volunteers may have been the hardest working of all, especially in the last week of the campaign. The unpaid staff included Bush's 18-year-old nephew John Bush, the "Youth for Bush" director. While Bush volunteers were often operating on little or no sleep, volunteers for Bob Dole wandered into the office as late as 9:30 each morning. Dole interns lived in palatial housing, and many went home on weekends. Many were also openly counting the days until they could go home, having been demoralized by the monotony of doing nothing but ripping computer sheets and looking up phone numbers. The Dole campaign also made the mistake of placing volunteers ("the arms and the legs") in a separate office from the paid staff ("the brain trust"). The result was demoralization and lack of supervision.

And the bigger result, one might argue, was a big loss on primary day that gave the Dole campaign such a blow that it never recovered.

In Manchester, there are two major watering holes for political conversation: "The Vault" and "The Merrimack." The Vault has many pictures of past and present presidential candidates on the wall; the Merrimack has pictures only of Gary Hart. It had been a Hart hangout since 1984 when he won the New Hampshire Democratic primary. At both restaurants, locals were heard to comment that they were voting for Hart *because of* his alleged sexual activities: "I wouldn't vote for him if he didn't fool around."

A more astute political analyst defended the crazed political intensity of New Hampshire's primary, suggesting that such excitement was a welcome relief from the general apathy of Americans when it comes to politics: "We're not a very political society."

Indeed, the American electorate is generally not passionate about politics; only a bit more than half of all eligible voters are likely to cast ballots in 1988. In New Hampshire, at least, there is some passion and interest as a

segment of the American electorate confronts the candidates in person.

Many analysts have proposed altering the presidential selection system—by instituting a nationwide system of caucuses, by creating several Super Tuesdays, by instituting a national primary, or by turning candidate selection over to Congressional and party leaders.

However, party caucuses disenfranchise those out of town on caucus day or those unwilling to venture out at night. They also attract far fewer voters than primaries, and place an excessive reliance on campaign organization and voter intensity.

Super Tuesday, while bringing attention to the South (and jump-starting the campaign of Southerner Al Gore), taught the candidates little about the concerns and issues of Southerners. Candidates spent much of their time giving press conferences in airports. Holding 20 primaries and caucuses on a single day spread the campaigns thin, and prevented voters and candidates from getting to know each other.

A national primary would be even worse. It would place a premium on money and name recognition. Little-known candidates would have little chance. It would also create the possibility that an unrepresentative candidate would be selected as a party nominee. In a multi-candidate field, the most ideologically extreme candidate might have the best chance. The problem might be addressed by requiring a run-off election in the event that no candidate tallied 40 percent of the vote. However, this approach would not necessarily solve the problem, as the two top vote getters might represent the two poles of the party.

Finally, some propose to expand the concept of "superdelegates," and turn candidate selection over to Congressional and party leaders. It was that kind of selection system which gave the country candidates like Adlai Stevenson, John Kennedy, and Hubert Humphrey. On the other hand, such a system would, of course, take candidate selection out of the hands of the public.

The common failing of each of these proposals? They provide no place for the kind of retail politicking that maximizes candidate contact with voters.

For all its faults, I believe that the New Hampshire presidential primary is a good place to start the campaign. While the primary season becomes increasingly wholesale after New Hampshire, and the general election is almost completely wholesale, the retail politics of the New Hampshire primary creates a special kind of test.

A presidential campaign is the ultimate enterprise. Candidates must give public addresses, raise money, secure endorsements, recruit a staff, obtain volunteers, present themselves to the media, and, of course, convince voters.

New Hampshire tests some of those entrepreneurial skills to the utmost. The fact that Bush and Dukakis, the New Hampshire winners, had the best organization, the most volunteers, and attracted capable people to their campaigns speaks well of their potential ability to organize a government.

Retail politics is also a means for the education of presidential candidates. New Hampshire is different from the rarified world of Washington or the television studio. In New Hampshire, presidential candidates are forced to deal with real people with real problems and concerns. Practically all presidential candidates have remarked that running for president is a remarkable learning experience.

Further, New Hampshire is useful as an early season training ground for political activists. Several Middlebury students were offered paid jobs in campaigns. Kirk Richardson '90, after working for Robertson in New Hampshire, South Carolina, Chicago, and Washington, D.C., ran a Congressional campaign in Massachusetts.

Over the course of the month in New Hampshire, everyone in the class met at least seven candidates. Our favorite was, without a doubt, General Al Haig.

During our week as political tourists, we caught Haig giving a stump speech in Dracut, Mass., just south of the New Hampshire border. He clearly enjoyed being in the race, even if polls indicated he had little support among voters. His basic campaign theme was his hands-on experience in matters of defense and foreign policy; he had served in three White Houses and had been commander of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The closing of his speech was memorable: "Don't be vague, vote for Haig. Don't settle for Dole and Dole—it's only watered down pineapple juice. Go for Haig and Haig—it's the real McCoy! And, above all, don't get Bush-whacked!" (The General, as we called him, also had some lines about duPont, Kemp, and Robertson, but they were too silly and obscure to remember. Haig has also been heard to say to voters, "Shake a leg for Haig!")

The class was so entertained that we tracked him down again the next day at a press conference in Manchester, back in New Hampshire. The Haig campaign was out in force for this event, wearing blue "Haig Brigade" sweatshirts. All smiles upon his arrival, the General shook hands with everyone present. He remembered Ali Wilson from the night before: "Good to see ya again, fella!" At the press conference, Haig said he wouldn't drop out of the race because "who would liven up those debates?" (Haig did drop out, of course, a week later.) Kirk Richardson asked Haig which of the seven presidents he's served he would try to emulate. "The eighth one, President Haig!" the General volleyed back.

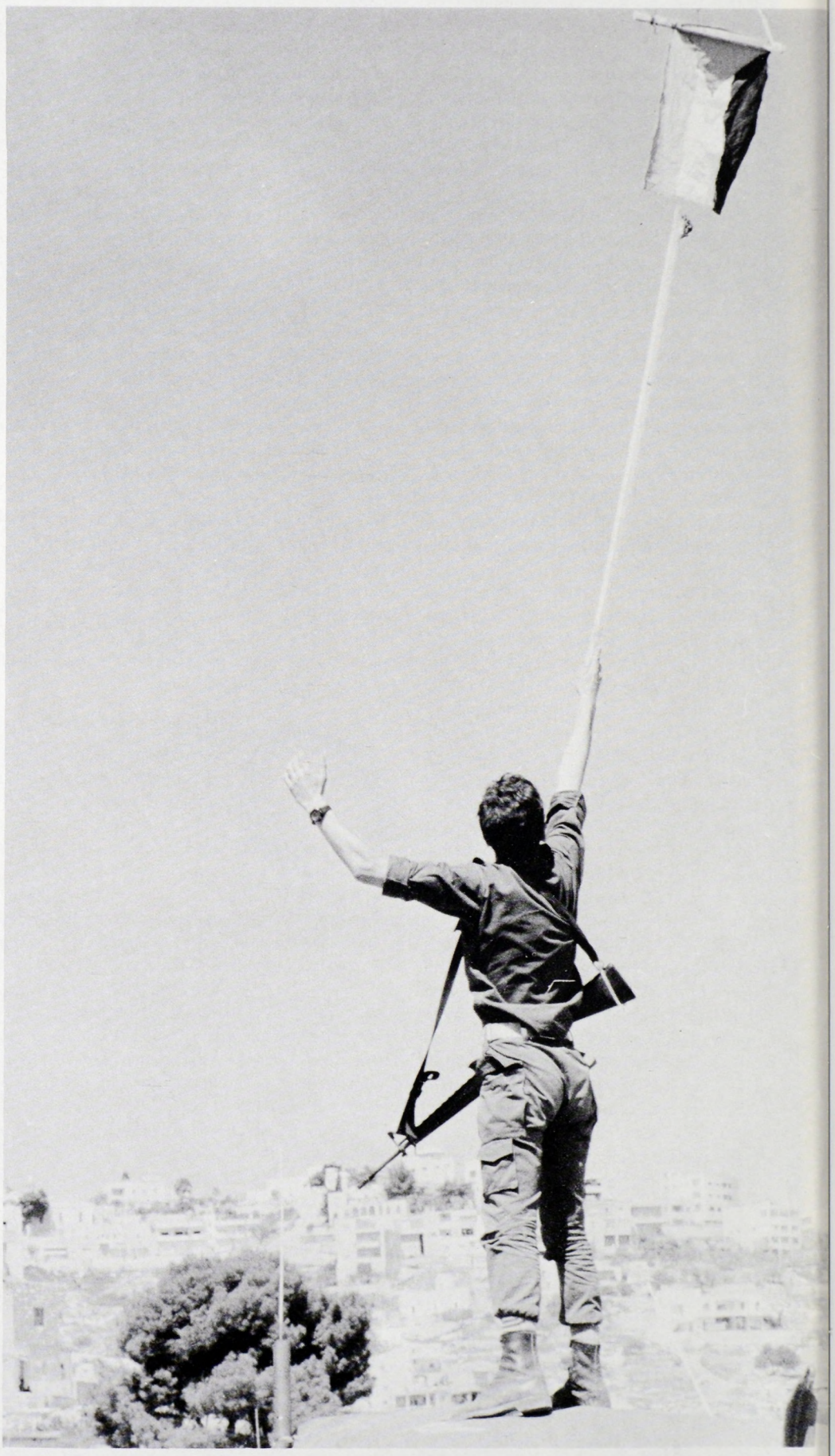
There were many more contacts between the students and the candidates. Cristine Meredith sang with staffers at Pete duPont's birthday party. Ali Wilson persuaded Jack Kemp to give him a large Kemp sign to take back to Middlebury; Kemp insisted that CNN cameras on hand record the transaction. Laura Farley left the Kemp campaign to join the Bush campaign; she ended up driving George Bush's personal pick-up truck, on loan to the campaign, to his estate in Maine. Don Vitouski met Hattie Babbitt, the candidate's wife, five times. James Rondeau '91, Diahann Klein '90, and Joan Hohweiler '90 were told by Michael Dukakis that "Middlebury College is a great place."

Sam Hodgson had his closest brush with his candidate, Bob Dole, after the Dartmouth College Republican debate.

Immediately after the debate, Hodgson recorded in his journal, he was standing outside the suite of rooms at the Hanover Inn which the Dole campaign was using as a holding room. "Around the corner came Dole. At a loss for words I gave him the thumbs up and excitedly told him 'Great job.' I think I also said, 'You won!' but I don't remember. Just by standing next to him I could feel his excitement. He shook my hand—for the fourth time (he still didn't recognize me). Then he looked around for someone to take his makeup off. You could tell he had it on but it wasn't very noticeable. He had a reception to go to across the street but he said he wanted the makeup off before he went. The other two interns and I all told him, 'Don't worry about it. It looks fine.' He asked, 'You sure? I don't want to look like George Bush,' he said, jerking his head back in laughter.

"I got to carry his suitcase down to the car—boy, did I get important (a glorified bell hop). As I walked out to the Inn I was ambushed with hundreds of cheers. Sorry folks: just Sam Hodgson. Bob will be out in a minute."

The only solution to the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians, says an American Jewish leader, is a two-state partition imposed by the United States, the Soviet Union, and the international community.



An Israeli soldier stands on top of an army jeep and uses a long wooden stick to take down a Palestinian flag in the village of Beit Sahour in the outskirts of Bethlehem. AP/Wide World Photo

The Twice-Promised Land

By Arthur Hertzberg

In 1947 Warren Austin, the Vermont senator, was the American delegate to the United Nations. The partition of Palestine was decreed by the United Nations in November; in May, 1948 the state of Israel was declared, despite American hesitation and desires to recall it, or at least to postpone it. At the United Nations, Jewish and Arab delegates were each getting more and more rambunctious, and the war in the Middle East was getting more and more out of hand. In a fit of exasperation, Austin is reputed to have said, "Why don't those Jews and Arabs learn to practice some Christian charity?"

Exasperation with the Middle Eastern situation, whether from the Jewish or from the Christian, or for that matter from the Muslim or from the humanist, perspective, is not a new phenomenon.

The difficulty with the Arab-Jewish, or the Israeli-Palestinian, conflict is that both of the protagonists in this conflict, in terms of the logic of their own underlying premises, are absolutely right. The further difficulty is that these two premises never meet. There is little dialogue; there are too many imprecations. Israel/Palestine has been called, quite correctly, the "twice-promised land," because Israel/Palestine has totally different resonances in each of these two histories, in each of these two traditions.

This is not a territorial conflict between the French and the Germans over who is in charge of Alsace-Lorraine—whether it is Elsass or Alsace. This is not a conflict over boundaries, but over fundamental premises. These premises do not even meet on the ground that people think they do.

One can say that the Israeli, or the Zionist, position is grounded in Jewish messianism; the Palestinian position is grounded in Islamic religion. These are, indeed, roots of both the positions. But that isn't essentially what the argument is about.

The Israeli position, the Zionist position, stripped bare of all rhetoric, is not really that God gave us the land of Israel—the Holy Land. Three times a day we pray, "And may our eyes behold Thy return unto Zion and mercy." The Jews have been very well aware—especially the Zionists, who actually began in revolt against the tradition—that they are not living in a religious age. But if they did advance their claim of religion as incontrovertible, then instantly and immediately the answer from the Muslim point of view is a reciprocal claim that nothing to which "Islam" applies, no piece of land to which Islam ever laid claim, is alienable. And if, for instance, the United States chose to see the disagreement in historical and religious terms, Jews know they might not fare

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well. There are, after all, fundamentalist Christians in this country who believe that the Jews have no right to return to the land of Palestine until they have become "twice-born" and have accepted Jesus as their personal savior.

Therefore, the religious premise is a non-starter. The essential assertion of Zionism is not a religious assertion. And don't believe wildernesses of rabbis and forests of columnists and self-appointed pundits of Zionism who tell you differently.

Zionism is about affirmative action and about powerlessness. It is the assertion to the world that for 20 centuries the Jews have been the only people in the world which is nowhere a majority. The basic insight of Zionism was expressed by Leo Pinsker back in 1881 in a book called *Auto-emancipation*. He said, "We are everywhere guests and nowhere the host." Being everywhere a minority distorted relationships for Jews among themselves and with the world. Being a minority meant that the Jews were always somewhere else, living by someone else's clock.

Only now, in the state of Israel, is the rhythm of a Jew's life lived on Jewish clocks. Everywhere else, Jews live by Christian clocks, whether consciously or unconsciously. And since I am a proud and uncompromising Jew, I recognize this every minute of the day. I live in tension with the life of the majority. And the majority accommodates me a good bit of the time; I find, even when I am travelling to other college campuses, that I am able to keep reasonably Kosher. I don't have to ask for special treatment, however, when I dine in the faculty club of the Hebrew University. It, along with other Israeli universities, are places where Jewish elements of culture are a matter of course. In Israel, I am not essentially powerless, dependent on majority good will which, in America, is usually forthcoming (but not always).

My best story to explain this goes back to my first sabbatical in Jerusalem back in 1971. A late friend of mine, an Anglican priest named Peter Schneider, was teaching at the Episcopal Cathedral School, a western school plunked in the middle of the Old City. But Peter lived in West Jerusalem and, instead of the Cathedral School, he sent his children to a Jewish kindergarten. Christmas arrived, and Christmas is a working day in Jerusalem. But I remembered that for Peter it was Christmas. And so I did what some of my Gentile friends do for me in the United States; they take note of the fact that it is Passover, and they come over and share a matzah with me. And so I went over and I had an eggnog with Peter, early that afternoon, right beside his Christmas tree. And through the door there came 16 children knocking! They came to visit Peter's five-year-old who was in the kindergarten with them. They brought this child a card, and they had scrawled lovely Hebrew in green crayon, "Happy Birthday for Jesus."

A fortiori, at the very core of Zionism is the awareness that after 20 centuries you don't want to live in a minority—and most pressingly, when it's not the United States, when it's anti-Semitic Russia, czarist Russia, in the midst of pogroms, or inter-war Poland which chased my family out, or central Europe with its very strong anti-Semitic traditions which ultimately spawned Adolf Hitler. There has to be somewhere where your ethos dominates, where your culture dominates, where your experience is the natural warp and woof of society. For all of the cant about cultural pluralism, the basic warp of the United States is non-conformist Protestantism; it is being loosened in various ways, but that is its rhythm.

Now there is a second element to this—the element of powerlessness.

Years ago I was invited back to Poland, where I was born, by the Polish government. I thought about it, and I refused. I'm a Polish Jew, and I can't go back to Poland. Because I don't call that my homeland, at all, at all. My memories are those of a four-year-old child being forced to run away.

The United States is my country; I have volunteered into two wars. And yet, even here, I have deep memories of alienation.

When I was 12 or 13, we were an immigrant family. I was the only one in the family who knew how to write English. So it fell to me to write the letters to the State Department asking for a quota number for my grandfather and for his children, who had remained in Poland. *The National Origins Quota Law of the United States* of 1924 was structured so that East Europeans and South Europeans and, of course, Jews, would be largely excluded, because only Northwestern Europeans were regarded in that quota law as healthy American stock. This was our country in the 1920s and '30s. That law was not repealed until after World War II.

I started to write letters to the State Department on behalf of my family—to the State Department of Franklin Roosevelt, the leader of the most liberal government we have had in American history to date. And it did not a damn bit of good. In 1946 my mother lit 37 memorial candles for her father, for seven brothers and sisters, and for all their husbands and wives, and for all their children. Not a single one survived the Holocaust. The last were gassed to death in a bunker at Lemberg in the spring of 1944. That much information I have finally been able to get.

I know what it means to be powerless. I have been powerless in the United States. I have watched America exclude, and I have not had the power to change it.

There is only one airport in the world to which Jews come and go freely, and that's that little place called Ben Gurion Airport, right outside of Tel Aviv. I have said many, many times, that for me, as a Jew, the holiest place in the Holy Land is not The Western Wall. It is the customs shed in Ben Gurion Airport, because that's the only customs shed in the world where I am not dependent on someone else's opinion as to whether I can enter.

The Western agreement to return the Jews to Palestine was an act of affirmative action. The famous Balfour Declaration of November, 1917, established that Jews, few of whom were in the land, had larger rights in Palestine than the Arab majority. Zionism was an act of persuading the world that a homeless and powerless people required in the 20th century a supreme act of redress. And therefore the Balfour Declaration says in its second clause that there shall be a Jewish homeland in Palestine, provided that the rights of the Arabs shall be safeguarded. And that clause means whatever anyone wants to make it mean.

What are the rights of the Arabs in the Jewish agenda? The Arabs are as relevant as you and I are relevant to blacks who demand affirmative action. As relevant and as irrelevant. Because ultimately the issues are not the rights of Arabs. The ultimate Zionist issue is that the Jews shall never again be reduced to minority status or to powerlessness.

The Arab case is equally sharp. I'm going to give it to you almost verbatim, as I have received it from such very distinguished people as Walid Khalidi at Harvard, and Edward Said, my colleague at Columbia.

The Arab case goes like this: "Yes, the Christian West has done terrible things to the Jews. And, yes, the Arabs, the Muslim East, did some pretty lousy things, too; but they're not a patch on the things that the Christian West did, culminating in Hitler, whom they didn't stop and who is, in some ultimate sense, expressive of the miasmas of Western culture. To redress their wrongs, the Christians should have taken a hunk of Bavaria or

a piece of Poland, or maybe a piece of Dakota, and declared a Jewish state. Why are you wishing off your problem onto us?"

Yes, the Arab case continues, "there is an international aspect to this thing. There are the shrines of the three major religions; there are monastic Christian components and Jewish components. But ultimately, if Palestine had been left to itself, it would have developed into an Arab state, with special arrangements made to accommodate the three major religions. That was its honorable destiny."

Now, it seems to me that that argument is very hard to knock down. Joan Peters in the recent book of hers called *Since Time Immemorial* tried to argue that there were as many Jews as Arabs in the land in the 1890s. But the argument is false. It is a piece of phony scholarship. Distinguished people like Golda Meir have tried to say there are no Palestinians; there are only Arabs who make beautiful music with other Arabs. Neither argument matters, because the last century of Jewish presence in the land has helped produce a specific Palestinian consciousness, as distinct from Arab consciousness.

Other Arabs have refused to assimilate the Palestinians. They are an entity. They are a national entity. They exist, and arguments over whether they were from Syria or Palestine three generations ago do not matter. No matter where their ancestors came from, they are not going to disappear.

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And so we have two perfectly consistent arguments which never meet each other, except in this one counter-argument of the Palestinians who say, "Why does the West wish the Jews off on us?" In each of these arguments there is very little theoretical room for the other. Read the literature of the Palestine Liberation Organization. The P.L.O. agrees that all Jews who are in Palestine and can prove descent from Jews in Palestine before 1914 will be able to stay in the undivided land of Palestine. Read some Zionist hard-line literature where it says, "Why can't they all go to Jordan, because, after all, Jordan is Palestine, and let them go!" You have the partisans of the undivided land of Israel and the undivided land of Palestine who really don't hear each other at all.

This is a problem that does not lend itself to solution. The notion that any amount of Arab argumentation plus military action can possibly end the state of Israel is an act of insanity, and everybody knows it. It's rhetoric. It's rhetoric in the attempt to avoid the difficulties of a solution. An undivided Palestinian homeland for Arabs is not going to happen in the United Nations. It's not going to happen in Washington. And it's not even going to happen in Moscow.

It can only happen on the battlefield. And even then, the notion that a victorious Arab general will ever sit in Tel Aviv and dictate terms misconceives the nature of contemporary armaments.

The Israelis recently sent a fellow named Vanunu to jail for telling people that in Dimona they are not running an agricultural station. At the time of Vanunu's sentencing, the following charming little piece appeared in the Israeli press. It went like this: "We don't understand why Vanunu was sent to jail. After all, Israel has officially said for a generation that that domed building in Dimona is an agricultural station. If Vanunu was telling the world that it isn't, then he was simply dreaming up dreams and telling false tales. Why should a man be sent to jail for spying for telling such false stories?"

And so, tongue in cheek, this fellow said, "I'm going to suggest weird tales, such as that

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there are spacemen in Tel Aviv and see whether they will jail me."

Everybody knows, of course, that Israel is an atomic power. The only thing that is arguable is the size of its atomic arsenal. Therefore the notion that the state of Israel can be ended by conventional war, short of the kind of nuclear exchange that would obliterate the Middle East, is out of court.

By the same token, Israeli hard liners are being similarly unrealistic when they think that if you beat up enough Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza, if you hang in there tough, suddenly a million Palestinians will pick up and run across the Jordan to King Hussein, who is just sitting there patiently waiting for another million Palestinians.

Whether the Israelis or the Palestinians like it or not, they are stuck with each other. The dream of the undivided state of Palestine isn't going to happen. And the dream of the undivided land of Israel is not going to happen.

The terms of this conflict have not changed in 50 years. In 1936-37 the Peel Commission, which was a Royal Commission in England, heard the contending sides and came to the conclusion that Jews and Arabs are not in Palestine for love of each other but that the only way that they would be able to live together is by separating them, by the partition of Palestine. In 1947 that was the opinion of the United Nations. And there is no escape. Neither a wilderness of Jewish maximalists will stop the proposition, nor a wilderness of Arab rejectionists.

Ultimately the solution will be a partition, some version of the two-state formula—a Jewish state and a Palestinian homeland, demilitarized, of course. Certainly an Arab entity, a Palestinian entity, which the Palestinians can call their own, will have to be created.

I am absolutely persuaded that across a table the Israelis and the Palestinians are incapable of meeting. The notion that if only they could get to the table to negotiate with each other—any formula of negotiation without preconditions—is total and utter nonsense. Of its own free will, no Israeli government will be able to give the Palestinians even a minimum version of a Palestinian state without running into hell at home. Israel is divided down the middle between hard liners and moderates, and the hard liners have it within their power to make a moderate compromise very difficult, if not impossible.

By the same token, there are enough Palestinian rejectionists around so that any Palestinian who accepts a moderate compromise, short of maximalist Palestinian rhetoric of "Why don't they go back to Poland?", is going to get shot. How do I know this?

During the summer of '82, at the very height of the Lebanese war, there was a public statement by three eminent Jewish leaders, issued in Paris. Nahum Goldmann was then president of the World Jewish Congress. Philip Klutznick had just left the U.S. Cabinet as Secretary of Commerce and was past-president of B'nai Brith. With former French Prime Minister Pierre Mendes-France, they issued a statement in which they asked for a two-state solution, and for armistice in Lebanon. That statement was followed by a less-publicized document in which the beginnings of such a solution were sketched out. Among the people who worked on that document was an eminent Palestinian, Issam Sartani, who was the Palestinian representative in Paris. It didn't take very many months for the Palestinian rejectionists to shoot him in the lobby of the hotel in Portugal where the Socialist International was meeting.

From the international perspective, the armaments that are pouring into the Middle East are more and more frightening. The Iraqis already have and are using cyanide bombs. Everybody also knows that at least one or two Arab governments are not very far away from becoming atomic powers. There is already an Islamic bomb in Pakistan. In a year or two some Princeton graduate with a monkey wrench will build a few atom bombs in a cellar in Lebanon—probably outside of Beirut. There are now miniaturized atomic weapons in the U.S. arsenal which are carried in backpacks by individual soldiers. Khadafi certainly has enough money to buy a few of these. And that means the day of the terrorist with a satchel atom bomb is around the corner—you know, you park a booby-trapped car somewhere and you hold the world at ransom. Those nightmares are not too far away. Israel has a right to be afraid, as all of us do.

The United Nations' response to the current West Bank situation has been intriguing. The British, who have no power and are not relevant, have screamed their heads off. The Soviets, who are relevant because they do have responsibilities as a superpower, have been extraordinarily moderate. The Soviets, you see, are beginning to worry about instability in the Middle East.

There is only one possible avenue for settlement—and this is an opinion, by the way, that Moshe Dayan held years ago when he was the Israeli defense minister. It's also the private opinion of quite a number of both Israeli and Palestinian leaders. The only way peace is going to come to the Middle East is if the Americans and the Soviets impose a reasonable solution. Short of joint superpower imposition, the situation will only get worse; it has now outrun the possibility, because of the divisions and the intransigence, of moderate solutions cross-table.

History itself recommends this kind of solution. The partition in 1947 was imposed by the United Nations. The Jews accepted it reluctantly; the Arabs went to war against it. The armistices in 1949 were negotiated by the United Nations. What about Camp David, you say? Neither Anwar Sadat nor Menahem Begin asked for a visit to Camp David; neither of them came of their own accord. They were lured there for a price. They were summoned by President Carter, who put the full weight of the United States on both of them and then committed to spend billions on both sides, buying an arrangement.

The lesson is obvious. Nothing serious in the Middle East, from the disengagement after the Yom Kippur War of 1973 to the Camp David agreement of 1979, has ever happened cross-table.

The hardest problems to settle in the world are the problems when the leaders on both sides are convinced that they are right, and that they are right on incontrovertible, ideological, and historical grounds. The Jews are convinced that they are right on the grounds that it is a rotten thing for the world to insist that the Jews always be a minority. The Palestinians are also convinced they are right that it is a rotten nasty thing for the world to insist that they have to pay so much of the price for affirmative action for the Jews.

And so, some justice has to be found. I think it has to happen through superpower imposition.

Let me say one other thing. On the West Bank and Gaza and in Lebanon, people are getting killed. Lives are being blighted. Miserable things are happening to human beings. And no matter what the righteousness of the cause, we ought to start remembering: better a bad peace than a righteous war forever. If not peace, what are the prospects? If we're lucky, if it's conducted with rifles and rocks, we've got Belfast—centuries of it. If it's conducted with something worse than that, we've got Armageddon. We have got the nuclear Balkans.

The problem has to be solved. And it cannot be solved by the Israeli Knesset, and certainly not by the P.L.O. Executive. It has to be solved by the international community.

ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

**At Commencement,
the youngest Harper, Sharon '88, joins
the Middlebury alumni clan**

Previous page: Roger Harper '82, Cynthia Harper '84, and Adrienne Harper Magida '80 congratulate the newest Harper alumna, Sharon '88. Right: Our guess is that this photo from the College's news service files shows a Commencement past. We welcome an identification.

THE CLASSES

To the members of our oldest classes, who don't have class secretaries listed: We still welcome your news! Send it to Bob Peskin, Alumni Relations, Forest Hall, Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt 05753.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Frederick L. Fish (Harriet Myers), 40 Court Square, Windsor, VT 05089.*

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Class Secretary: *Miss Ruth A. Hesselgrave, c/o Mrs. Polly U. Kahler, 2805 SW 14th St., Ocala, FL 32674.*

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Julius Kroeck (Elsa Holmstrom), 376 Central St., Acton, MA 01720.*

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Allen C. Clifford (Catherine Robbins), 15 Carver St., Brandon, VT 05733.*

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Reginald M. Savage (Dorothy Taylor), 118 Tiffany Road, Norwell, MA 02061.*

Some of our classmates are still taking trips, praise be! **Jessie Bennett Veit** took a 12-day cruise out of Montreal on the American Canadian Line River Ship *New Shoreham II* in August '87. The itinerary included Montreal, Quebec, the Saguenay River, back through the St. Lawrence Seaway to Lake Ontaio, the Thousand Islands and Erie Canal to Albany, N.Y., down the Hudson River to N.Y.C., around the Statue of Liberty and Manhattan Island, Long Island Sound to Warren, R.I. Jessie found it a fun trip, with good food and nice people. She still lives at Sunny Shores, a life care retirement complex on Tampa Bay in St. Petersburg, Fla. ...**Elizabeth Gordon Lambert** lives in Buffalo, Wyoming, an attractive town in the foothills of the Big Horn Mountains. She writes of the wildlife which occasionally comes into town, frightened by hunters' gunfire. On one occasion she counted 30 wild turkeys on her front lawn; another time a mountain lion apparently bedded down in a grove next to her back yard. Elizabeth and her husband have made three freighter trips during winter months. The first took them to Cuba and Central America. The second, lasting 45 days, started at New Orleans, thence through the Panama Canal down the west coast of South America to Valparaiso, Chile. From Valparaiso they took an electric train over and through the Andes to Santiago, then by plane to a port city to catch up with their ship. They also visited Lima, Peru. The third trip (of 90 days) started in San Pedro, Calif., down the west coast of Mexico, through the Panama Canal and the Caribbean Sea, down the east coast of South America to Buenos Aires, Argentina, and return, stopping at 22 ports. At one port (Paranague, Brazil) she and her husband ventured into a Swift Company packing plant uninvited and were confronted by two guards armed with rifles with wicked-looking bayonets. An American plant manager came to their rescue and invited them to his home for cocktails that evening. Back home, Elizabeth has served as president of the Nationally Federated Music Club of Buffalo which has sponsored and organized the Annual Christmas Vesper Service for 50 consecutive years. ...Wishing to avoid some of the worst of the winter's weather, Marion and **Paris Fletcher** spent most of February in Naples, Fla. The Fletchers have five grandchildren in primary and secondary schools in Worcester—all good prospects for Middlebury, hopefully. ..."Nita" Pritchard Cook (Mrs. Reginald) '26 had a big surprise one morning when **Margaret Harriman Seely** called from the Middlebury Inn. "Harry" was enjoying a senior citizen tour. When they got together Nita was surprised to find Margaret much thinner than she used to be. **Ruth Quigley** had a letter from Margaret later reporting that she had had a fine trip and that the tour went all around the College. Margaret lives in Norwich, Conn., near her daughter, Libby. ...**Marion Pellett Nielsen** went to Hawaii for the winter to be with her doctor husband who cannot tolerate New England's cold weather. Last year she stayed with her daughter and son-in-law in Norwich, Vt., to be near her grandchildren. "Chick" writes that it is not a bad idea to marry late and have small grandchildren when you most need them. Hers—ages 4 and 6—are a big attraction. She had a small apartment attached to her daughter's home overlooking the mountains. The Nielsens expected to return to Woods End Road in Etna, N.H., in spring. ...**Ruth Quigley** traveled to Pennsylvania to be with her niece and family for Christmas. She had a wonderful holiday where all were well remembered, well fed, and enjoyed a lot of laughs. ...**Phyllis Wright Lewis** writes that her husband, George '22, had a slight stroke and that she is due for some hospitalization as well. We hope both will be well on the road to complete recovery by the time these notes get published. In the last 2-1/2 years, Phyllis has written a book of their memoirs, entitled *Which Is It, Genes or Environment.* Though unpublished, her book has gone to several colleges and universities, including Michigan, Miami, Emory, and Middlebury. Phyllis graduated from the University of Michigan and earned her master's degree there, also. ...**Clarence Botsford** attended the weddings of two granddaughters during 1987: Deanna Beth married Scott Staples in Jackson, N.H., on September 12 and Deborah Elaine married James Edward Horan III on December 26. ...A letter from **Arthur Ferry** reports that he is comfortably situated in a Hackettstown, N.J., life care facility which provides many activities and trips for its residents. Art recently wrote and directed a minstrel show which was received most enthusiastically there. Art has two sons, one in Detroit and one in Milford, N.H., and a daughter in Tucson, Ariz., where he spent the four winters previous to the past one. He has eight grandsons, but no granddaughters. Art spent only his freshman year at Middlebury, but during that year he was a member of the College's first ski team and participated in a Winter Carnival at McGill University. Art says he enjoyed and benefited greatly from his year at Middlebury and was glad he chose it for a start. He completed his degree at Yale. ...**Helen LaForce Henshaw** had a happy holiday—although she says that some happy celebration occurs about twice a month in her daughter's family. She was especially happy about the birth of her second great-grandchild. A quote from Helen's letter makes a perfect conclusion to our column: "Once again I wish you more joy than sorrows, as 1988 rolls in on all four of its cylinders. As we age we must cope with grief, celebrate victories, and share ourselves with others."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald Fredrickson (Dorothy Johnson), 199 Central Ave., Madison, NJ 07940, and Donald R. Banks, Rudd Pond Road, Millerton, NY 12546.*

Although not a member of our class, W. Ransom (Bill) Rice '26, who passed away on November 16, 1987, will be sorely missed by all of us. Bill participated in all of our activities at reunions. His presence, along with that of his wife, Marge, was always anticipated. A few words from Bill after our reunion dinners were always good for many laughs. He was one of 13 members of the Rice family to graduate from Middlebury. ...**Henry Happ** reports that he and Edith are "hanging in there," staying close to home most of the time. They surely were missed at our last reunion in '85. Henry is one of the few Midd veterans of World War I who are still with us. ...**Olivet (Becky) Beckwith** has finally reached the point in her life where she feels free to stay home and relax. Becky deserves a well-earned rest. In her quiet way she has contributed generously to Middlebury, including the marvelous pipe organ that enthralls all who attend activities at Mead Memorial Chapel. Becky, we admire you. ...**Ernie** and **Evelyn Plumley Adams** report a quiet 1987. Due to complications, they had to skip their usual lengthy stay at their second home in North Hero, Vt. However, they seem to be in good spirits and want to be remembered to all their Middlebury friends. ...A recent article in *Midd Magazine* stresses the lack of parking space on the campus and adjacent areas. We all recall the uncluttered appearance during our undergraduate days and realize that it will never again be possible. What a shame. In the future, new landscaping will be effective only if parking lot problems are solved. ...It was during the fall of 1922 when Stew Rowe '26 and I (**Don Banks**) got our heads together and decided we would follow the football team to Hanover, N.H., to watch the game with Dartmouth. Lack of money was a factor. We only had enough cash to cover expenses one way. Final decision was to sneak a

ride on the Rutland Flyer from Montreal. Clad in sheepskin jackets, but bareheaded, we hid behind the bushes across from the station at Middlebury. The Flyer pulled in and we hopped on, a car length apart, with arms hooked through the big brake wheel and one foot on the ledge of each adjoining car. We knew that when the train went around curves the cars would stretch one minute and come closer the next. Never a dull moment, but we hung on with cinders whacking our bare heads. Also, it was a chilly night and the hands got a bit numb. Eventually, we pulled into Rutland where the train split, one section to Boston, the other headed for New York. Somehow, we figured which cars were going to Boston and hopped back on. It was a rough trip over the mountains, battling the cinders all the way, stretching on curves, bumping over switches, etc. We passed through Ludlow and eventually landed in Bellows Falls where we planned to debark. I well remember the moment after the train stopped, when a railroad yardman broke the coupling between cars on the opposite side of the train. The cars parted and there I was standing alone for the yardman to spot. Thinking I was a bum hocking a ride, the yardman called for help and was about to whack me with a wrench when a yell for mercy stopped the blow in midair. Railroad cops arrived and took both of us into custody. Explanations were in order and a story about poor college students heading for the football game at Hanover. Much to our surprise, they proved to be understanding guys and herded us into the Bellows Falls station where we were released. After a shower in the employees' quarters, a hearty breakfast restored our energy and we boarded the morning train for Hanover. Unfortunately Middlebury lost to Dartmouth, a powerhouse in football at the time. The game was exciting, however, and we were pleased to have been able to cheer for Midd. After the game, we boarded a train to Burlington as paying passengers. There we caught the southbound local and arrived at Middlebury late Sunday afternoon, tired but satisfied. ...**Ione Fellows** indicates that she is still "rarin'-to-go," but is kept at home due to redecorating 11 of the 13 rooms in her home. She has spent the last 71 years in the old family homestead—quite a record in itself. She recently celebrated her 85th birthday and was thrilled by a special party in her honor, given by the members of the Plymouth Congregational Church. What a great way to usher in your 86th year. May there be many more ahead of you, Ione.

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Class Secretary: *Elizabeth Goodale Murray, RR 1, Box 396, Perkinsville, VT 05151.*

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Class Secretary: *Mr. Howard Cutler, Indian Chase Drive, Greenwich, CT 06830.*

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. John D. Coombs (Miriam Sweet), 13 Highland St., Box 1256, Concord, MA 01742, and N.J. Blanchette, Indian Mountain Road, Lakeville, CT 06039.*

We received from **Lorna Senecal Sylvester** a most interesting and complete resume of her professional life following her graduation from Middlebury. **Mimi Sweet Coombs** would be happy to make copies available to any class member. ...Bill (W. Ransom) Rice '26 was a close friend to many of our classmates. His death in November 1987 was a shock and saddened many of those who knew him well. He will be missed at Reunion time and Homecoming, because he was always present. ...We now look ahead to Homecoming '88, hoping that a number of our classmates will make an effort to participate and renew acquaintances with those who were of our time. **Don Talbott** indicated his desire to spend the weekend at Bread Loaf. Hopefully, **Zella Cole Hibbert** will make the trek. To all our classmates, Mimi, Del, Hank, and Nap send our best wishes!

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. E. J. Kelly (Frances Foley), 130 Prospect Ave., Northampton, MA 01060, and Mr. J. Malcolm Williams, 6430 Beechwood Ave., Sarasota, FL 33581.*

Our 60th Reunion is next year! Fran (**Frances Foley Kelly**) and Mac (**J. Malcolm Williams**) seek news items from each of you about the interesting and active lives you are fortunate enough to have lived. Please do your part and send news to a class secretary or to the Alumni Office. We believe that each classmate has been or is involved in projects and travel that would be newsworthy. Surely we are not ready to be relegated to "the mothballs." After all, we are graduates of the Middlebury College Class of 1929. Let's get in the spirit for 1989! See you then!

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Beecher W. Dudey (Helen Kendall), 220 Ash St., Corinth, NY 12822.*

My plea for pictures for the 1930 scrapbook has brought a fine shot of **Lib Parker Andrews**' summer home in Maine and one of Hal and **Ruth Sturtevant Pierce** (Sturtie to some of us). The Pierces, who celebrated their 50th anniversary in 1987, report that they enjoy visits of their "kids." **Nathalie Hall Jones** sent pictures of her family activities of 1987. The highlight of the year for Nat and Ted was attending the IPPNW Congress in Moscow. Nat also attended the Boston lunch last November. The "Worcester girls" didn't make it. ...**Muriel Johnson Thorn** went to San Jose, Costa Rica, to meet her daughter, Wilma, for a week's break from Wilma's teaching in Colombia. ...**Ginny Knox** is as active as ever. Our class can be thankful for the continued loyalty of our class agents, Ginny and **Carolyn Lee Allen** and **Howard Huntress**. ...**Fred Dirks** went to Middlebury three times in 1987. He attended lectures and participated as a contributing speaker in seminars (see spring issue, page 17). ...**Thelma French Walker** is involved in local community doings, senior bazaars, bake sales, and supplying transportation for friends. Thelma is proud of all her grandchildren, but especially of the her oldest, a graduate of Clarkson who has become an employee of Bechtel Corporation. ...Evelyn and **Ellis Bemiss** are happy to have their two daughters nearby. One daughter teaches at UVM. ...In retirement, **Bert Nylen** is happy "to dwell at home" after residing in 12 states (making 15 moves) during his career with DuPont. Bert's son Robert's *New England Monthly* has again won a national publisher's award. ...**Grosvenor Crooks** reports that his brother, Robert Crooks '44, has moved to Durham, N.H. He also informs us that Mr. and Mrs. Lindley Robinson '26 have moved into his residence in Concord. ...Elizabeth Davis, widow of our Dr. **George Davis**, sends greetings to all George's classmates. Her son, Earl, lives with her and son George Jr. comes home weekends. ...Carolyn and **Ralph Woodbury** enjoy retirement in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. In February 1987 they cruised the Caribbean on *The Homeric*. In April and May they went through the Canal and across the Atlantic to Portugal. The ship was unable to stop in Porto Del Gada in the Azores because of a bad three-day storm. And, of course, in June they visited the Glens Falls, N.Y., area, visiting with his sons and with Jane Minick. They enjoyed opera, plays, Saratoga races, and golf, then continued to Brockville, Ontario. In October they spent a week at the Fantasy Fest on Key West. In December they took in a week of theatre in London. They added up mileage! ...**Francelia Rose Howe Haff** knows my area because her son managed a pharmacy in Corinth for five years. Nowadays, Fran and Floyd drive only in their own neighborhood in Riverhead, N.Y. They enjoy visits from their families, including Warren Howe and his wife and two children (from Oak Harbor, Wash.); Tom Howe and his wife and three children (from Seattle, Wash.); Fran's daughter-in-law (son Albert's widow) from Albany, N.Y.; and her daughter, Karla, and her son. Fran's other daughter, Aletta, of New Paltz, N.Y., has been in Europe. ...The Dudeys are as busy as ever. Since neither of us drives out of town we seek among our gracious friends for a chauffeur when we must attend Statewide Senior Action Conferences every month in Albany, and other meetings elsewhere. We have wonderful helpers! Our canes are no good on a highway.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Parker (Linnea Wall), P.O. Box 94, 266 Hardings Beach Road, West Chatham, MA 02669.*

Martha and **Ned Bray** have moved north (923 Lincoln Ave., St. Paul, MN 55101) after eight years in Philadelphia. Ned writes, "I am splitting my time between volunteering at the Science Museum of Minnesota, where I am curating 35,000 neglected specimens in the rock and minerology collections, and the Minnesota Chapter of the Nature Conservancy where I am acting as archivist in preparing records for deposit in the Minnesota Historical Society. Also, I continue to write articles on local geology and, in 1985, a booklet, *Ancient Valleys, Modern Rivers: What the Glaciers Did*. Using maps, the booklet contrasts preglacial drainage of the central United States with the present river systems." He certainly keeps busy, but he found time to attend two Middlebury functions: a Presidential Luncheon and a Planned Giving Seminar. ...Another busy person is **Dick Fear**: "I am still working and still traveling. Spent 18 wonderful days in Pakistan viewing the awesome Himalayas and meeting people. I am conducting a training program at Midd, teaching my interviewing techniques to the counselors and people who select freshmen." We understand the sessions were both interesting and well received. They set up an interviewing room with a camera and an observation room with a TV monitor. Each of the College participants did one interview using seniors as interviewees. Dick also writes that he "was impressed with the calibre of the people working in admissions and counseling." He adds, in a letter to **Walt Crocker**, "Boy, today's students get opportunities that we never had. Almost half the junior class goes to Europe for a semester in England, France, Spain, Germany, or Russia. Middlebury has become an international institution." ...**Walt Crocker** says he and Elsa spent Christmas with

their daughter and children in Michigan. He has also heard from Dorothy Cox that **Ken Cox** has not been well and is in a Rochester, N.Y., hospital. ...**Carl Webster** wrote Walt that he attended three Midd home football games last fall. ...Walt received some interesting old Midd material about our class from **Fred Wooster**. ...A Christmas card from **Lucy Booth Goodwin** informs us that she is still active and in her home, "enjoying the simple pleasures of life." ...Betty and **Phil Brewer** made their annual pilgrimage to Vermont, visiting **Wendell Weeks** in Wallingford as well as their daughter and her family in Barre. "Driving through Vermont," he says, "isn't as leisurely as it used to be. Civilization has moved in and cows are becoming a rarity." Phil's leisure activity centers around his driving horses. "It's fun, a challenge, exercise (they also go under saddle), and gets me out into God's green hills." ...Betty and **Phil Bates** keep busy with local activities. Their twin grandchildren are freshmen in college, one at Smith and her brother at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. Another grandson is a helicopter pilot in the Indian Ocean. ...Jo and **Ken MacClelland** celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary last year. Ken is trying to complete the final draft of his novel: we are anxious to learn more about it. ...**Ken** and **Linnea Wall Parker** didn't get to Florida last fall, but were heading south for the month of March. ...**Priscilla March** attended Homecoming last October.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Gray N. Taylor (Georgiana Hulett), 182 Lancaster St., Albany, NY 12210.*

The Class of 1932 has suffered two tragic losses with the deaths of **Charles Thrasher** on November 12, 1987, and of **Raymond Ashdown** on January 11, 1988. The Thrasher-Ashdown families have maintained very close ties through the years. The class sends heartfelt sympathy to Peg Smith Thrasher '34 and Mary Ashdown and their children. **Gray** and **Georgiana Hulett Taylor** attended the "Celebration of the life of Ray Ashdown" at the Burnt Hills (N.Y.) Methodist Church on January 15. ...The nose-dive of the stock market in October 1987 prompted the *Concord (N.H.) Monitor* to interview three of Concord's older residents, among them **Charlotte Adams Merriam**. She relates vivid memories of the Great Crash of 1929. The daughter of a minister on a small income, "Charkie" recalls discussing the tragedy in "CC" class. The Crash "didn't seem to have much to do with me. There was a lot of poverty in '29. But then, we were all on the edge of poverty to start with. When people keep saying the economy's improving, the economy is better, I have less and less and less to go on. I can't see that it's better. People on a fixed income do have to worry a little." In 1976 Charkie retired as head of the hematology department of New Hampshire State Clinical Laboratory. She has since been very active in Concord community affairs. ...If you're a bicycling enthusiast, you must correspond with **Henry Platt** (1040 Sheridan Road, Mt. Dora, Fla.). At 78, Hank continues to bike more than people half his age. He trains regularly, riding some 30 miles a day. Once a week he takes what Floridians call the "Triangle Trip," from Mt. Dora to Tavares to Eustis and return. When he arrived in Florida 15 years ago, Hank organized a three-day Mt. Dora Bicycle Festival, in which he continues to be active. Last October, more than a thousand cyclists participated! He has ridden in nine foreign countries and at least ten states. It's safe to say that cycling is more than a hobby—it's an obsession! Since a mishap at a railroad crossing a short time ago, Hank writes that he does wear a helmet—a comforting bit of advice because he plans to attend our 60th in 1992 and we want him to stay whole and healthy! ...Last fall, **Charlotte Carpenter Wolcott** attended a Middlebury luncheon in Boston; **George F. Emory** was spotted at the Donor Dinner in New York City. ...Does anyone know of the whereabouts of **Russell Attick** and **Howard Duquette**?

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Philip L. Carpenter (Helen Easton), 83 Quagnut Drive, Wakefield, RI 02879-4602.*

On one side of the desk is a pile of 1099 forms, pension deposit slips, cancelled checks, and other Form 1040 trivia. On the other side is a stack of Midd '33 Christmas cards. We know where duty lies but yield to our inclination and reread the latter. We thank you, one and all. It is wonderful to receive your messages of cheer and love. We enjoy accounts of personal and family activities, and we commiserate with those who have been ill. Operations and ailments are side effects of the passage of time, but we must not let them get us down; remember that once we're over the hill we can really get rolling. ...It's hard to believe all the things we septua- and octogenarians get into. Mil and **Fen Buffum** attended two high school graduations last year for grandchildren—in Fort Washington, Pa., and Long Island, N.Y. (on separate weekends), then Middlebury Homecoming in October (congratulations, Fen, on 26 in a row), family visits in Charlestown, N.H., and Shushan, N.Y., and anniversary celebrations in Rock Spring, Va. They were also awaiting the first start of their two-year-old colt, *Silver 'n' Bronze*, a grandson of *Secretariat*. ...And **Hank** and Louise Fleig '35 **Newman**, traveling in their own plane, visited Tennessee, eastern Massachusetts, and Rochester in March 1987. (Wish you'd stop here sometime—Westerly Airport is only a few minutes down the road and Green State Airport is a few minutes up the road.) In May they went to Britain. In a rented car, they toured through the southern counties, to Oxford and Cambridge (our favorite city since our sabbatical in 1959), and the permanent RAF field where Hank was stationed the longest. They report, "Three days' driving was enough for us. The English go faster than their 70-mph limit. Trying to keep out of their right hand 'overtake' lane and misinterpreting their confusing signs at the everlasting 'roundabouts' persuaded us to turn in the rental car at Stansted Airport and continue on to London by bus." Then they had a six-day tour up western England via Stratford and the Lake District to Glasgow and Edinburgh and back through York to London. After returning to the United States, Hank resumed his activities for the United Way and had radio and TV interviews. ...**Marguerite Hunold Stein** also did some traveling. She took a Thanksgiving cruise through the Panama Canal: "It is an inspiring feat of engineering, done so many years ago and still in perfect working order. The entire trip was great." ...Rosemary and **Doug Short** and one of their granddaughters took their usual Thanksgiving trip from Fullerton, Calif., through Salt Lake City, to Logan, Utah, where they visited daughter Marlene and her family. (Doug, how did you know we live on the outlet of the Saugatucket River where it enters Pt. Judith Pond? I've never dared to try walking on that cellular salt-fresh water ice that you say bends without letting you down into the water. Maybe your Long Island ice was stronger, or you were lighter as a boy than I am now. And yes, we've thought about going to the Mormon genealogical library in Salt Lake City, but understand that they have another good one in Hartford, Conn.) ...Warren and **Ruth Redman Southworth** had a great gathering of the family from all corners of the continent (and points in between) to help celebrate their 50th wedding anniverary last August. "We did our best to show them all some of the beauties and history and cuisine of Wisconsin." ...**Ralph Whitney** reports two new great-grandchildren. Good going! ...Howard and **Faith Kellogg Dailey** have a new grandson, born November 11, 1987. ...**Gordie Ide** says retirement is fine but he misses doing something worthwhile. However, he then adds, "I still dream I'm in medicine, but wake up glad I'm not." He has taken up golf since retiring but quoted his score for 18 holes as "?" ...**Barbara Butterfield Noyes** is still busy with weekly bridge games, AAUW, and teachers' meetings. Most of her family is nearby in the Rutland area, except for a grandson in North Carolina. She particularly mentioned "a granddaughter, Ashley, who is a real cutie." ...**Lyle Glazier** has another book in print, *Great Day Coming*, an analytical study of the negro problem in the United States. Published by Raaj Prakashan in New Delhi, India, the manuscript was acutally completed in 1970. As the jacket indicates, he "deals with the blacks' plight in its entirety—the background, the political and economic aspects, the negro experience, and the social prison in which blacks find themselves.... The problem of social oppression is not confined to America, but has an almost global dimension. ...The book...is of great relevance to us in India where a section of the population still suffers from social segregation." It will be recalled that Lyle had Fulbright assignments in India in May 1970 and May 1971 and he lectured throughout India in July and August of 1971. ...Congratulations to our *senior* classmate: **Everett Gould** was feted at his 82nd birthday last October by his daughter, Barbara, and her husband, Pete. He was getting excited about the 55th Reunion in May, his first real trip in about ten years.

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Class Secretaries: *Miss Elizabeth French, 765 Union Ave., #406, Lakeport Square, Laconia, NH 03246, and Douglas E. Howie, P.O. Box 635, Walpole, NH 03608.*

Mary Priscilla Hall Howes recently gave her first public poetry reading in Ashfield, Mass., the place she has lived all her life except for four years at Middlebury College. Her new collection of essays, *Country Legacy*, will soon be published. She has also written a monograph, *First Ladies of Ashfield History*. ...**Toivo R. Aalto** writes, "I hope better late than never still holds for my response. I just thought I should say 'present' and also practice my typing on my new machine. Barbara and I see **Travis** and Margaret Leach '36 **Harris** when they flee Vermont snow. They have just returned from a 9,800-mile tour and visited 23 states they hadn't seen before. An eye-opening experience in many ways, and greatly enjoyed. Rose and George Siipola '33 stopped by last summer on a trip from their N.C. home. Also had a talk with **Ralph Dumas** on our last visit to Massachusetts and Cape Cod. Hope he is feeling better and is back to number 11 handicap. I don't understand why I can't score as well as I did 30 years ago! Most of our travel has been Southward—Kenya and all the wild animals, and hoping to visit the Islands and Panama Canal in February. I look forward to our 55th and seeing old

friends." ...**Lovina Foot Goodale** sent a lovely two-cent postcard which was mailed to her mother in 1910. Postage rates have increased mightily, but the message hasn't changed in 77 years! Lovina said it was a very special message received one week after Lovina herself was born. It stated a wish for a long, happy, and useful life. Seventy-three long years have gone by happily and "I hope usefully," Lovina says. ...Hazel and **Edward Stefaniak** wrote that **Ralph Dumas** is feeling enough better that plans to leave for Hilton Head are on the roll. Ed says "Wish I had some really good news, but I didn't win the tri-state megabucks yet! I did come close once but only won $500. I'm shooting at seven million!" ...Red '37 and **Alice Parsons Harris** had no plans for the winter. Al does a lot of volunteer jobs and is involved in church ahd hospital committees. They both do much for the town of New London. ...**Abram E. Manell** gave us a cheerful boost, saying, "I'm not sure whether you see the glass half empty, or half full, but I vote for the latter! Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are not beyond our reach, or at least our striving!" ...Writes **Leonard J. Snow**, "I enjoy your odd-ball poetry and sense of humor. I had to quit hustling firewood and let the chainsaw cool off, but only because the shed is full and no more room in my back yard for woodpiles! I'm spending a lot of time with and enjoying my 3-year-old grandson. Deline and I are invited to spend a month with friends and are trying to decide between January and February. Life is full of tough decisions!" ...**Winifred W. Bland** says, "I am still shuffling along here on Block Island. No particular news to report—only my dismay at the continuing building boom which is going to make our Island another suburbia! Much the same thing seems to be going on everywhere you turn. All these people getting new homes is fine, but why then the big increase in homelessness in the cities? Something is out of joint!" ...From San Jose, Calif., **Howard J. Kelly** writes, "Please give my best regards to our '34 classmates." Wedding bells are mentioned among his plans for early 1988. ...**Dorothy Wunner Woodward** has been very busy with her historic town of Stoughton survey project, searching deeds, town records, and all sorts of data. "It's fun, especially with a good partner, which I have. We have just had phase number one approved in Boston, so can finish it up. It takes a lot of time. Our railroad station is nearly done (one more year), but money raising also takes time." ...**Edward C. Roller** notes, "The past year has been somewhat on the conservative level with no real major happenings. Emma and I did enjoy spending some time during the summer in Martha's Vineyard, South Hampton, Woodstock, and Dorset. I am still very partial to Vermont and its accompanying nostalgia. We enjoy the '34 class news." ...**Dorothy Smith Wright** is "well, busy, and very happy." She says "too busy" is the complaint of most mobile home park residents. ...The Class of '34 was saddened to hear of the death of Charles E. Thrasher '32, husband of **Margaret Smith Thrasher**. We send Peg our love, concern, and support....**Lester H. Lovell** has not forgotten us. He has been battling against diabetes and, with Polly's help, will make a determined effort to visit friends soon. ...**Thomas R. Noonan** received a Christmas card from **Ed Stefaniak** which aptly describes our situation as "the creaky, cranky, golden years." Light gardening and heavy leaf removal chores fill part of Tom's time. He also volunteers as a chess instructor at a local grade school where "it amazes me how well some youngsters (8-10) handle a game that I didn't learn until I was almost 15." The year 1987 marked the 100th year of Tom's family association with Middlebury: "My father (Thomas Hazard Noonan) entered College in 1887, graduating in 1891. According to the 1950 catalogue, 18 students entered in the fall of 1887 and 11 were graduated four years later. Of the 11, two (Ernest Bryant and Vernon Harrington) returned to become members of the Middlebury faculty. Of the two women in the class, one (Sarah Blossom Palmer) married Professor Bryant and the other (Sarah Grace Seely) married President Thomas of the class of '91. Carl Mead and my father served as trustees. For over half of a class to be so closely associated with Middlebury after graduation seems worthy of note. I will try to hold on for our 55th Reunion!"

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Class Secretaries: *Avis E. Fischer, 6438 Sunset Drive, Frederick, MD 21701, and W. Wyman Smith, 325 College St., Burlington, VT 05401.*

When **Avis Fischer** went off to Puerto Rico for most of the winter, she asked me (**Wyman Smith**) to write up the class notes due February 15 for the summer issue. Although Avis has everything organized, you will have to make allowances. ...The Smiths have attended two Elderhostels: one at Hamilton College in July and another at Georgia's Savannah State University in January. Alexander Wolcott claims that the Hamilton campus is the most beautiful in the USA. (He was an alumnus of Hamilton and that may have caused him to overlook Middlebury.) ...**Bob Stafford** continues to make the news. He is doing a tremendous job in his environmental work and in fighting the world ozone peril. He has been honored by his colleagues in the Senate by a proposal to call the education program "Stafford Grants." The act would reauthorize federal aid for underprivileged students, as well as boost aid for rural educational centers. Bob was quoted as saying in the Senate, in support of his bill, "Our future as a nation rests on our ability to educate all of our citizens." Bob, your classmates commend you for your years of government service. ...**Warren Brown** reports that he lives a quiet life. He retired from Greenfield Tap and Die in 1974, but kept a part-time job with the Bernardston Post Office until March of 1987. He is now secretary of the Stratton Manor Resident Association in Bernardston, and reporter for the Advent Church in South Vernon, Vt., to the Greenfield, Mass., and Brattleboro, Vt., papers. Besides wife Mabel, Warren says his family consists of four stepchildren, 12 step-grandchildren, and 16 step-great-grandchildren. "A good-sized family," he reports, "for one who married at age 47 and had no children of my own. They are good to me and I love them." ...**Doris Anderson Carlson** spent some time at the Cape last summer. Besides being with family there, she attended a July 28 get-together in West Chatham with **Bertie Bourne Glick, Betty Coley Congdon, Faith Arnold Diver, Helen Lindberg Nyquist, Margery Hanchett Woodside**, as well as Eric Carlson and the Dean Glicks. Eric's book, *Critical Essays on Edgar Allen Poe*, was published recently. Doris and Eric are active in the Senior Center in Storrs with a discussion group, a singing chorus, and a book group. ...**Anne Stark McManus** is beginning to adjust to being without Jim, who died in spring 1986. She is planning to stay in her home, as she has children and grandchildren close by. Last summer she and 11-year-old granddaughter Theresa traveled east by Amtrack. They spent a month visiting relatives in the Rochester-Syracuse area. Their exciting visit to Niagara Falls included a sudden severe thunderstorm with hail and wind. One bolt of lightning struck the falls and Anne was drenched. ...**Esther Johnson Whiting** spent two months last summer at a cottage on Lake Mascoma in Enfield, N.H. ...Since December 1986, Marie and **Tony Costaldo** have a new address: 2844 Shearwater Cove, Virginia Beach, VA 23454. Their house is on the bank of Lynd-haven inlet, part of the tidewater region. It is full of wildlife: herons, gulls, crows, racoons, etc. Tony finds the climate delightful compared with Long Island. They occasionally return to Long Island to visit their son, James. Tony reports a recent visit to Monticello. He has also joined the local chapter of the Sons of Italy which has a full program of dances and social activities. His greatest concern is to stay healthy and available. His greatest joy is being pushed around by granddaughter Katie, a bossy 3-year-old. ...**Walter Boehm** again spent the winter months at Marco Island. He recently published for family distribution a volume entitled *Essays and Short Stories by Dr. Walter E. Boehm*. Among the essays are the story of his wedding and the story he did on Middlebury for our 50th Reunion. ...Besides spending a couple of months in Puerto Rico, **Avis Fischer** has attended two Elderhostels—one in Ocean City, Md., and one in Jekyll Island, Ga. She visited Carroll and **Virginia Easler Wilson** in Florida and she spent Christmas on Sanibel Island, Fla. ...**Natalie Dunsmoor** took the China tour last fall with Professor Illick and 18 other traveling companions. Nick and **Helen Lindberg Nyquist** were part of the group. The trip was extensive, complete, and beautiful. They visited 13 Chinese cities as well as Hong Kong and Japan. ...**Ellis K. Haines** sends his good wishes and hopes to come to the 55th. His address is P.O. Box 212, South Woodstock, CT 06267.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. James Cooper (Harmony Buell), 30 Glenwood Drive, Brewster, MA 02631, and Dr. Angus M. Brooks, Beaver Meadow Village, 21 Piscataqua Road, Concord, NH 03301.*

Harmony Cooper finds there's a lot of felicitous news to report, beginning with word from **Agnes Harris Finger** that she was married on November 11, 1987, to Robert W. Taylor. Their new address is 5 Heritage Hill, P.O. Box 8324, RD 2, Rutland, VT 05701. Aggie writes that she met Bob at a mutual friend's home in Rutland. On comparing notes, they discovered mutual backgrounds in Staten Island—even to living on the same street during their elementary and high school years. Bob was in her brother's class in school. After purchasing a new condo last spring, Agnes sold her house in one day—a traumatic experience as it held so many memories. Now she's very glad she did it, and she and Bob look forward to their new lives together. We all wish them good health and much continued happiness. She and Bob were spending March in Florida for family visits and a welcome break in the Vermont weather. ...Having spent the first two weeks of March in California with daughter Nancy, Max and **Ret Hanson Herrington** spent two weeks of April '87 in Bermuda. Ret says California weather is lovely, but she and Max prefer the Northeast's lakes and woods. "Too much new construction going on in California, and all the traffic on the thruways—looks as if everyone wanted to live there!" That's Ret's reaction to California, while she surmises that your secretary probably thinks everyone and his brother wants to live on the Cape.

...Dan and **Jean Barton Cotton** threw a big bash at their camp at Little Harbor to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. There was plenty of room for family and friends to spread out and enjoy the swimming, boating, and general fun. In further celebration of the big year, they enjoyed a six-week trip to Australia and New Zealand. "Dan and I like to rent a car when we travel," Jean says, "and drive where and when we please." While in New Zealand, they visited with a family related to their Cohasset neighbors. "No 'steike and aigs' in Australia," says Jean, but they ate lots of lamb in New Zealand and very good it was, too. They traveled about 6,000 miles by car altogether and had a magnificent trip. Their proximity to Boston allows them frequent trips. They recently took in a performance of *Les Miserables*, but Jean thought it was over-long and wouldn't rave about it. ...It was just like old times talking to **Janet Howe Neilson** the other night. She's fine and dandy and sends her best to all the classmates. She's still sorry she was unable to make it to the 50th Reunion. She recently sold her house to her daughter-in-law, and built an apartment attached to it with separate arrangements for herself. Jan's full and enjoyable life includes volunteer work in the local library one day a week, helping with Meals on Wheels, a circle leader in her church, and bridge club. Her eldest daughter lives in Houston, Texas, where Jan spent the Christmas holidays. She's very proud of the fact that all three of her children are school teachers: "They get good money, and they earn it." ...A newspaper clipping from the Southern Pines, N.C., *Pilot* last November (courtesy of **Anna Mayo**) features a picture of our **Christine Conley Gifford** playing the keyboard for a singalong at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Southern Pines. Chris received the Governor's Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service at a ceremony and reception held in Wilmington, N.C., in October. Chris has volunteered more than 2,000 hours of her time over the past six years to the patients at St. Joseph's Hospital. Her list of good deeds is long and impressive. She coordinates a weekly program for patients that includes playing the piano for singalongs and setting up Bingo Games. She has a canteen area well stocked with food, beverages, greetings cards, stamps, and shrubs, as well as a gift shop table—proceeds of which help the canteen and a patient fund. She also co-directs the 434-member St. Joseph's Hospital Guild. Asked why she does it all, Chris noted that she herself has been in and out of hospitals over the years, one time for a six-month stretch. "I saw what it was like to be on the patient side of the bed," she said in the article. "I just like making life happier for the patients and staff at St. Joseph's." During our recent phone conversation, Chris noted that she realizes that she may have been

Piano man

As a Middlebury scholarship student straight off a New Hampshire farm during the early 1930s, Victor Sanborn '36 took piano lessons from Professor Lewis Hathaway. He also sang in the Glee Club—and remembers sending a short solo out over the air waves when the Glee Club sang on NBC Radio.

Sanborn went on to a career as a school teacher, then a reading teacher at Cambridge's Manter Hall School (1953-64) and Boston's Garland Junior College (1964-76), and then a speed reading consultant (his clients have included the editorial staff of the *Boston Globe* and the government of Iran under the Shah). He played the piano for the odd event—for graduations at Garland, for instance. "I've gone as long as 20 years without owning a piano," Sanborn says; he and his wife Marjorie owned a Steinway Grand from 1964 to 1976. But while working for schools, he notes, he always managed to keep a key to the practice rooms—and he's seldom missed a day of playing.

It wasn't until age 65, however, that he "finally went professional" with his music. In 1981 he settled in for what would end up to be a year of piano-playing two nights a week at Kevin's Wharf, a South Boston restaurant. After a brief hiatus in his new career, he went on to an 18-month engagement at the Lyceum restaurant in his hometown of Salem, Mass. in 1985-86. Late last summer he settled in at the Nahant Country Club, playing several evenings a week and at country club functions—including New Year's Eve 1988.

His repertoire, Sanborn judges, numbers 2,000 pieces—everything from "Arthur's Theme" to Frenchman Michel LeGrand to Randy Sparks' waltz "Today" to James Last's "Music from across the Way" to the 1970s hit "The Rose." His main requirement for the pieces he plays: "It has to have a strong melody. Otherwise, it's not music." He can play 600 pieces from memory, and another 1,400 from music he owns and feels familiar enough with to play well. He refuses to bang his way through pieces he doesn't know: "There's a big difference," he says, "between simply being able to play a piece and being able to play it well and with some originality."

He welcomes requests, and if he doesn't know a piece, "I'll promise to have it if the people return in a week." Otherwise, he picks his music according to his self-divined "100 rule": "You estimate the average age of the crowd and then subtract from 100." So if the crowd looks to be 40, he'll play music from the 1960s.

His piano style has progressed a great deal since he first began performing in public, Sanborn says. He does show off his virtuosity a bit—but doing so too often, he thinks, can be counter-productive. He likes to improvise and stylize standard music. One favorite piece: When he plays the song "Tenderly," he highlights the dissonances in the music—and he plays lots of arpeggio, up and down the keyboard. "It can be very effective," Sanborn says. "But it can be ineffective if you do too much of it."

It's obvious that he plays to his audiences. "My goal is always to have them come back," Sanborn says, acknowledging that "repeaters" help impress the management which employs him. As it happens, when we called him for this interview he was between engagements—but he had some nibbles for the summer; he has his eye on the Hawthorne Hotel. He has no objections to taking time between jobs, however; in fact, he tries not to let his new career tie him down. Long engagements, he notes, don't leave enough free time for traveling.—*ECE*

over-extended and has regretfully given up her playing with the St. Anthony of Padua's Church guitar group. ...Wish you could see the East African postcard of a wise and wary cheetah received by **Gus Brooks** from **Mona Meacham**. We got one of a well-fed and serene hippo and a letter afterwards from **Phyl Sanderson** telling about her incredible experience over the Christmas holidays on a deluxe 23-day travel tour of East Africa, Tanzania, and Kenya. As Phyl writes, it is all so exciting seeing those animals *right there*. Their safari driver was a dandy—their first sight of a lion was from a distance of only five feet. First stop on the trip was at the Ngorongoro Crater (a sunken volcano 2,000 feet below the 7,000-foot elevation) where they saw the greatest variety of wild animals—zebras, lions, elephants, wildebeests, giraffes, hyenas, Thompson's gazelles, wart hogs, rhinoceroses, baboons, etc. They took in five game reserves besides the Crater, including Serengeti and Masai Mara. They even ate zebra and tapi steak and found them delicious. In Nairobi they stopped at the Olduvai Gorge where Dr. Leakey discovered the 2-1/2 million-year-old skull, and at Karen Blixen's home, now a museum. They spent a night at Treetops where Queen Elizabeth was staying when she became queen on the death of her father. If anyone has spare cash, says Phyl, she surely recommends this top-drawer trip. December, January, and February are the best months to go, she says, and she's full of suggestions of what to wear and what to take. ...A delightful Christmas card from **Eddie** and **Ruth McNulty Howard** filled us in on their lives. To escape the Arizona heat last summer they flew to Edmonton, Canada. They spent time at Jasper, Lake Louise, and Banff, and crossed the country by train to Toronto, all of which gave them a new appreciation of the beauty of Canada. They flew from Toronto to Boston and spent a month visiting family and friends. They also played in two golf tournaments. "Living out of a suitcase gets to be the pits," says Ruth, and home was a great place to be. Off again, however, in late September and early October to Hilton Head Island, S.C., where Ruth enjoyed her favorite sport: swimming. At Christmas Ruth finds she gets nostalgic for snow, but hastens to assure us it's the only time of the year she misses it. ...Let's picture **Mary Jane Kevan Philpott** flashing down the slopes of the Laurentians (wearing something red) or swimming half a mile three times a week after exercise class. A dandy phone call to her and letter afterwards gives us a chance to report some news. She and Russ are enjoying a vigorous and active life. Russ played Santa Claus for the children of their Sports Club annual Christmas affair, at which 87 kiddies took turns sitting on his knees. Jerry went out to Los Angeles without Russ last September to visit daughter Marcy whom she hadn't seen in a long while. She says she was unable to phone **Ruth Schaeffer Sawyer, Jocko Martin**, and **Wil Westin** while there this time, but her daughter had just gone through a difficult divorce and they greatly enjoyed being with each other. If you haven't seen a production of *Cats*, Mary Jane highly recommends that we make the effort if there's a production nearby. She also suggests that we first read T.S. Eliot's poem "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats." Great show! Russ and Mary Jane journeyed to Voorheesville, N.Y., on October 3 for **Mavis Jones Little**'s annual Midd get-together party. Due to the freak snowstorm, Louise Fulton Mapps '35 was the only other Midd alum able to get there. ...**Irene Bonnett Webb** plans to move into a retirement community in Davidson, N.C., near the home of daughter Patty and her family (Patty's husband teaches at Davidson College). Rene is busy getting rid of possessions collected over the past 50 years in anticipation of completion of her new home in August or September. She thinks there will be plenty of activity in a college town and expects to like it there. Her Christmas holidays were especially enjoyable as all her children were at home with her. ...**Barbara Wishart Erickson** reports she had fun at the Middlebury Alumni Dinner held at the Riverside (N.Y.) Yacht Club last December. Seeing **Howie** and Marge Arnold '38 **Cady**, **Mary Williams Brackett**, Will '51 and Marty Belden Jackson '52, and hearing Jane Bryant Quinn '60 speak added up to a great evening. ...**Melba Spaulding Lombard** reminds us that Cape Cod isn't the only place filling up with folks—she says we should visit southern Maine and New Hampshire. People now commute from Kennebunkport to Boston, Berwick is about to double its size, and so it goes. Melba and George now have a new house number: 41 (instead of 304) Dover Eliot Road. George had another huge garden last summer, postponing his cataract surgery until after harvest time. After successful surgery, the world looks better to him now, says Melba. ...**Bets Laws Westin** was looking forward to Don's Class of '38 50th Midd Reunion in June: As a mere spouse she needn't remember any names! Last summer Bets and Don spent two weeks at the Aspen Music Festival: "the joy of hearing the offerings of 1,000 talented young people combined with the awesome beauty of the surrounding mountains was almost overwhelming." They also had a week's cruise down the Mississippi on the *Delta Queen* and enjoyed the Dixieland music and Cajun cooking. ...Nice to get a card in early January from **Maggie Leach Harris**. She and Travis '34 were en route to their winter vacation place in Myrtle Beach, S.C. All their family members visited them in Lincoln for a very exciting Christmas holiday season. ...Most of us will probably agree with **Roxie Lewis Blackmore** that—while news is great to have—the real heady stuff is that she and Bill are still going strong, busy each day, and staying away from doctors. They had a trip last summer to Portsmouth, N.H., visiting Strawbery Banke, a historic recreation of New Hampshire's first permanent settlement. Named for the profusion of wild berries found on the shores of the Merrimac River by the first settlers in 1630, Strawbery Banke evokes a way of life of sea captains, artisans, mariners, merchants, and their families. Fascinating place, says Roxie, and well worth a visit. ...Please note a change of address for **Don** and **Carol Wheeler Easler**: 1513 Fort Duquesna Drive, Sun City, FL 33570. ...**Angus Brooks** recently had the pleasure of meeting a person named Thelma Bascom. Now 80 years of age, Thelma is very articulate and knows a great deal about all the men of 1936. She grew up in Bristol, Vt., and after high school went to the Rutland Business School. She then did office work at the Bristol Casket factory until one day in 1927 when Cap Wiley '13 came by and asked her to be his secretary. Until 1936 she processed all applications for admission of men to Middlebury. After our class she moved away with her pastor husband, Ted Hadley, whom some may remember as a thin, good-looking man who walked with a slight limp. He had transferred from Bangor Theological Seminary for his junior and senior years at Middlebury. Following Ted's death, many years later, she married her present husband, the Rev. Eric Bascom. She enjoyed reading our autobiographies and seeing the 1936 *Kaleidoscope*: "It was very interesting to know where you all went and the work you did. It was also revealing and appreciated by me to see the tributes to your professors in the reunion book. I knew them all." We spoke of Profs. Sholes and Schmidt, not only as good teachers but because their areas of sociology and geology have grown in importance since we graduated. In 1943, Cap Wiley went to the U.S.O. in Washington, D.C., returning after the war to work on college fund raising. In closing, Thelma recalls that she proofread and typed newsletter items for all the classes. She remembers her work at Middlebury with warmth and enthusiasm. "Yes, from a casket factory to the campus was quite a change." ...**Frank Moore** is well and leading a quiet life in Lexington, Ky. As he told us last year, "I putter around, and follow the stock market. Last October I got bent a little, but not broken!" ...**Clarence Harwood** reports that he is very well and looks forward to a gathering of his large family for Christmas. His wife, Emma, died in 1983. Of his five children, Elaine and Charles teach physical education, Ruth is in physical therapy, Russell is in public health at Johns Hopkins, and Doris is the busy wife of a chemical engineer for the Squibb Company. Clarence sings bass in his church choir and also belongs to a choral group of 70 in Middletown. A member of his local historical society, he is interested in the restoration of the society's 177-year-old mansion. He continues into his 36th year on the local board of health, now as chairman, where he faces new problems with the homeless street people. He enjoys reading about geology, astronomy, and the space program. Biology at Middlebury meant a great deal to him but now biology is even more important. It seems at the time of this writing a few days before Christmas a new and fifth grandchild will be at the family gathering. Jessica Lynn Harwood arrived in time to hang her first Christmas stocking at the age of 17 days. Says Clarence, "I am blessed to have my family, including Emma's mother at age 91." ...Season's greetings came from Sylvia and **Vic Willoughby** as a poem of ten stanzas, condensed as follows: "Another year has bitten the dust. And thinking of you is always a must. We've scarcely had time to sow seeds at home, when instinct and pleasure have caused us to roam." February found them in Kansas; later—after "hooking up the camper without any damper"— they stopped in Washington en route for the summer in New Hampshire. "Come September we traveled West to boat, fish, picnic, and all of the rest." Further on, "We hired a car, drove on to L.A., saw Palm Springs and Hadleys—a beautiful day." Throughout this epic poem there are references to pregnancies, births, and family progress. The final stanza concludes, "There is no doubt about it, the dye is all cast. This family is growing. And the speed—much too fast." They are both well and greatly enjoyed being at Anne and **Dick Chase**'s party last August. ...**Donald MacDougall** speaks of a career in engineering following his math major, plus physics and chemistry. Now somewhat confined at home with arthritis, his expertise in communications has made him an amateur radio enthusiast. "For relatively small cost radio waves can be sent and received, bouncing off the ionosphere following the earth's curvature. I talk with friends all over the world." He did research early on at M.I.T., learning how to detect tumors with ultrasonic waves, a method now commonly in use. Recording and playing stereo music has given him much pleasure, as well as buying and reading new books. "My wife, Grace, makes time spent in the wheelchair quite tolerable." They felt that the 50th Reunion would have been too much, but that Homecoming this year might be possible. He points out that **Martin Tierney** still travels around taking college courses! ...After 30 years with the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, **Bob Smith** and wife Beulah (Colby '36) are well and busy in Maine. Three of their four children have careers in the Navy. Bob's career at Portsmouth has been

with nuclear submarines. He vividly remembers Admiral Rickover who developed the Nautilus, our first nuclear sub. He also remembers **Don MacDougall** "because he used to complete Prof. Bowker's math tests in 15 minutes while the rest of us struggled for an hour. Mac scored 100 routinely, but he was a genius. I was not, and left Middlebury after the second year." Now retired and a graduate of Colby '37, he describes himself as "a bucolic rustic who has never been off the ground higher than a tall tree." His wife, Beulah, has gained national recognition as a poet. Bob wishesthat Doc Cook could have known the deep love of nature she expresses in her lines. "She is also an excellent business woman, being the owner/operator of the Elmere Campground in Wells on Route 1." Speaking again of submarines and nuclear energy, he became a production supervisor, essential to the war effort at Portsmouth and later involved with the development of the Swordfish and the Thresher. In spite of this hazardous work he and Beulah are still active and well. "However, with all that radiation my ears still glow in the dark!" ...**Dick Ross** says that with the help of his good wife, Hilary, and with daily medications, he is still able to walk and to travel by car, with Hilary at the wheel. He still enjoys reading and cheerfully asserts that "Only the best people get Parkinson's disease!" He spent 20 summers (until 1983) in the front office at Bread Loaf and looks forward to being at Middlebury and Bread Loaf for Homecoming in October. ...A follow-up from Rita and **Dick Dempewolff** reports a safe return from six weeks in the Orient, "in time to recoup for Thanksgiving." Earlier they visited Cape Cod and sailed north from there to the Isles of Shoals and then continued to Middlebury for the wedding of Dick's nephew, Peter Dempewolff (son of the late Bob '42 and the late Lucia Powell Dempewolff '41). Dick and Rita also visited the new Salisbury home of **Howie** and Marge Arnold '38 **Cady** where, as we learned earlier, "one can see part of the campus four miles away." Dick's thoughts on their house in the hills: "Very nice." ...Recalling, happily, **John Holmes**' recitation of his poem about the man who couldn't remember anything, it may be encouraging to report the following observations from a presentation on "The Aging Brain": 1) "If one of you comes to my office beause of a failing memory, be of good cheer. At least you can remember that you can't remember. 2) If one of you brings in Uncle Joe with his bizarre behavior, and when I ask how things are going, he answers, 'Just fine,' then Uncle Joe needs help. 3) When older people take I.Q. tests, they do as well as they would have done 50 years ago, *if* there is unlimited time." For three months, the speaker's name was remembered. Now, even with unlimited time, his name is lost forever. Should we laugh or cry? Someone has said, "We don't stop laughing because we grow old. We grow old because we stop laughing!" ...Save the dates of October 21-23, 1988. That's Homecoming Weekend at Middlebury. A special gathering of the Class of '36 is being planned and details should be forthcoming soon.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Harry K. Hopkins (Barbara Gregory), 1021 W. Devonshire Road, Delafield, WI 53018, and Mr. Pierce G. Couperus, RR 2, Box 950, Shaker Road, New London, NH 03257.*

During the last quarter of 1987 there have been several members of the Class of '37 who attended Middlebury gatherings in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New York, and Vermont. They include **Margaret Scherholz Delfausee, Lois Bestor Craig, Carolyn Cozzio Tompkins, Harriet Spaulding Harrington, Walt E. Brooker, Dorothea Mathison Scott**, and **Pierce G. Couperus**. These gatherings ranged from Leadership Weekend to luncheons. ...**Bob Jewett** writes, "(Although) I didn't graduate until 1939, I was always close to the people I started with." Attending our 50th Reunion last May was important to Bob, as he hadn't seen so many members of the class in such a long time. Bob also enjoyed a reunion of his high school class in Redwood, N.Y. "It seemed good to meet again so many people I had been close to over the years, even to the days when I had never heard of Middlebury. I am afraid it will be a while before I can report any exciting trips with the cost of home repairs." ...**Doris Heald Kendall**'s summer included attending a "fascinating" Elderhostel program in Rindge, N.H., where she got reacquainted with the words of Robert Frost. During two previous Elderhostels, she was in Brattleboro, Vt., reviewing her major subjects, Spanish and French. Her other activities include square dancing, in order to "keep in step" with her 11 grandchildren. ...**Betty Knox Hunt** reports that the 50th was the highlight of the year. It refreshed memories of the 50th in 1985 for husband Leland O. Hunt '35, and reminded them both that at summer's end they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Since Lee's retirement they have bought a small house in Norwalk, Conn., where they stay busy between house projects and "interim" churches. Betty seems to feel somewhat settled now with Lee in charge of a parish in Fairfield. She is a microfilmer in a communications corporation in Norwalk. Life is enhanced by daughters Cynthia Hunt Garrels '63 and Betsy Hunt Dailinger '69 and also by grandchildren. ...**Sylvanus Frohock** writes that he can remember some man (PGC) walking past Painter Hall with a mail bag over his shoulder. What memories! Sylvanus' wife, Ernestine, does her share for us all by directing music for the Ridgefield Chorale, preparing recently for their annual performance in Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall. The Frohocks have a ranch in southwest Kansas on which they have some oil and gas. Sylvanus says that he struggles with OPEC and considers himself a poor man's J.R. Ewing. A brother who chaired romance languages at Harvard passed away last August. ...Planning to be back in Vermont in early April, **Marion Perkins Hackett** spent a happy winter in Sebastian, Fla. (between Vero Beach and Melbourne on the East Coast) with her lady companion from Hamilton, Ontario. ...Enjoying retirement in Dover, Mass., **Charles J. Harvi** busies himself with three fireplaces, gourmet cooking, and turning out an occasional picture or sculpture. He still stays in shape for skiing. Wife Dody is busy with the Beaver Country Day 50th and Bennington College alumni doings. Chas and Dody had lunch with **Paul** and Audrey Dimm '39 **Foster** last August but say that most of the local Midd gatherings are left for younger alumni. Son John visits on most holidays and vacations, while daughter Muffin and a granddaughter are frequent visitors from Kiel, West Germany. Along with many classmates, Chas appreciates the experience of the 50th Reunion. ...**Ken MacFadyen** says "We especially enjoyed the Midd 50th Reunion, the campus nostalgia, and old friendships rekindled." The MacFadyens had a pleasant summer visit to Nova Scotia, returning home to Lenox, Mass., in time to enjoy the foliage display and to close the BSO season at Tanglewood. Household chores and maintenance keep Ken and Hermine occupied in the winter. Good health blesses the family while visits from their son Scott add to their well-being. Daily walks keep them in shape. ...**Richard (Dick) Lucas** and wife Marion think that the Reunion was the "greatest." Dick often thinks about many of his old Midd cronies but, like all of us, he says he can't get himself to write letters. He doesn't want what happened in 1987 following Reunion ever to be repeated, but says that he tends to forget the good things—such as his son's promotion at Fermis Lab, his granddaughter's becoming an accomplished horsewoman at 13, and Marion's work at Green Mountain College. They were planning a visit to South Carolina during February and March of 1988. ...Bettye and **Randy Hoffmann** have both adjusted to retirement. And although they claim their learning processes have slowed down, they say they can still learn and have studied Spanish in the Groton adult education course. Alluding to his fond memories of the 50th, Randy sends "much gratitude to the College and to such devoted workers as the beautiful Susanne Shaw." (Hoffmann will never change!) While resenting the term senior citizen, Randy welcomes the ten percent discount he receives for "indispensable" items such as haircuts and wine. The next time he writes he promises to tell about his sparring session with the Rev. **Chuck Chase** during which Chuck took his best punches and Randy says that this must be what the Lord meant when He said, "I will build my churches upon a rock." ...**Kay Stackel Leonard** writes, "Our 50th Reunion weekend was a wonderful gathering of the old Midd spirit all over again! Many thanks to each and every class member, plus College personnel who worked to make it happen. Were you aware of how many younger alumni were admiring our energy and enthusiasm?" Kay sends greetings to all. ...**John Lonergan** reports that he still walks, plays golf, gardens, and is busy with the Vermont National Bank Board, real estate work, and more and more walking. John is well cared for by "the board chairman"—wife Virginia—who, being a nurse, does a good job. ...**Sue Hathaway Hopper** has done some traveling. After Ken recovered from his August 1987 operation, they went to California and Hawaii. They visited old friends in Palo Alto and spent two days with them in Yosemite. In Hawaii they visited with **Janet Gray Willis** who showed them Honolulu. A later visit to daughter Virginia's home in Annapolis was unexpectedly lengthened from six days to four weeks when Ken became ill there. He is okay now. Sue looks forward to news of the Class of '37. ...Your secretaries, **Barbara Gregory Hopkins** and **Mel Couperus**, have initiated a new attack to get news. We take turns with one quarter of the class each edition of the *Magazine* and we write to about 30 classmates to solicit news. The above entries summarize what Mel received before February 15, 1988—the deadline for the summer edition. Barbara reports a new grandson and indicates that the family is "drunk with joy" and wants more.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Fred Barry (Jane Abbott), 29 Union St., Keene, NH 03431, and Nelson M. Camp, P.O. Box 526, Southbury, CT 06488.*

Since I am sure **Nelson Camp** is too modest to write about himself, I (**Jane Abbott Barry**) shall start this column with some interesting background information about him. Did you know that Nelson has lived in Southbury, Conn., for 18 years, has served on the Region 15 Board of Education, is vice-chairman of the Inland Wetlands

Agency, is president of the Southbury Land Trust, and is an active committee member of the United Church of Christ? Who thought retirement would be boring! **Polly Overton Camp** must have a hard time keeping track of him! ...It was a special pleasure to hear from **Helen Thomas Stone** because we had been out of touch for some years. Helen left Florida in 1986 because of the poor health of her husband, Paul, and to be near their son, Ralph '61, in Jackson, Mississippi, where she now lives. Paul died the same year. Helen now does volunteer work in a medical library and keeps in condition with pool aerobics and swimming. She has taken some very interesting trips to the South Pacific, Australia, New Zealand, Alaska, and a cruise through the Panama Canal. Helen has five grandchildren, two in college at Dartmouth and Wellesley. ...Bob '35 and **Helen Kelley Stafford** will be moving back to Vermont after Bob retires from the Senate at the end of this term. Their Vermont address should be available after Reunion. ...Gordon and **Ellen Pierson Manser** enjoy their retirement home, Pennswood Village, in Newtown, Pa. They have met two other Middlebury graduates who also live there, Marian Hinman Kemp '28 and Grace Bates '35. The Mansers spend their summers on the Belgrade Lakes in Maine where I expect to visit them this summer. ...**Ginny Fischer Ellison** is another retirement community advocate. She and husband Herb '37 are finding interesting friends in Wood River Village, Bansalem, Pa. They enjoy the many recreational facilities and volunteer opportunities available. Many hours of Ginny's time last fall and winter must have been spent working with co-editor **Bruce Brown** to assemble and organize the materials for the class Yearbook. ...Several classmates have mentioned the usefulness of the 50th Reunion Directory. It was thanks to the directory that **Tanny Tuthill Cartwright** received a surprise phone call from **Anne Kilbride Long** who winters in Florida, not far from Tanny. They didn't know they were near each other until the directory was published. Tanny is happy that son Jack has been transferred from Michigan to Florida. Following "the hottest summer our part of Florida has had since they made thermometers," the Cartwrights traveled to New Jersey to visit Tanny's daughter, Bobby Pfaff Lonergan '53, mother of 13 children. Tanny now has 24 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. What a record for Reunion! ...**Jean Dusenbury Brown** has an interesting philosophy with which I agree: "If you let many things be done for you, you get old sooner." Same feisty Dusey! So she keeps young by doing for herself and others. She thoroughly enjoyed taking care of her 20-month-old grandson while his parents were on vacation. While apartment-hunting, she finds herself up against the perennial problem: "The loveliest apartment complexes here won't allow pets, even small well-trained ones. I'd like to move sometime, but what a problem for me with two cats and a sheltie." ...Last November, **Becki Abbott Brooks** spent two weeks visiting her son, Peter, who lives and works in Paris. In addition to Paris, she visited Chartres and Mont Saint Michel. Becki spends more time in Kinderhook now, but she can't resist January and February in San Francisco where she has another son and many friends. Becki has heard from **Marian Hewes McKenney** who could not plan to come to reunion as husband Mike '39 isn't well enough to accompany her. We shall miss them both. ...**Tommy Leslie Hall** found 1987 a very special year for her family. A three-generation reunion in the Cotswolds and Lake District of England proved to be a great experience. In the fall, Tommy and Charlie spent time in Grindelwald, Switzerland, one of their favorite places. They were also looking forward to 50th Reunion year at Middlebury. ...My letter to **Anne Sargent Clark** was forwarded to her in Florida. Anne writes: "Last fall roommate **Val Halligan Boehm** from Chattanooga stopped to visit for several days in Winchester, Mass. Can you imagine what a gab-fest we had? Driving to Florida in January '88 was a challenge to seasoned drivers—1-1/2 days of icy ruts in Interstate 95, speeding at 5 m.p.h. and occasionally at 15-20 m.p.h. Am hoping to see Bennett (Yale '35) and **Louise Hoyt Short** while in Florida. And, of course, we're hoping to see all our classmates in May for our 50th Reunion." ...Another escapee from winter (even from Tennessee?) was **Val Halligan Boehm**. Her letter came from Marco Island, Fla., but she spent October in New England where her headquarters were with her godchild in Concord, Mass. She visited **Sherb** and Marjorie Kohr '39 **Lovell** in Springfield, Vt., and got in some golf before the surprise October snowstorm. Another visit was with Sarge (**Anne Sargent Clark**). ...Prior to reunion, **Jim** and **Florence Hulme Miner** planned a sailing trip through the Panama Canal and on to the San Blas Isles, Cartegena, and Curacao. The "onboard" historian will be James Michener, accompanied by a professor with a specialty in local history. ...**Marge Arnold Cady** retired last June. She and husband Howard '36 plan to spend five months of the year in their newly-purchased home in Salisbury, Vt. They will continue to spend winters in Darien, Conn. "We hope old firends will drop in for visits when they are in either area. I still do substitute teaching now and then, and run an occasional teacher workshop. For fun, I'm trying to pick up in oil and watercolor painting where I left off 20 years ago. Our 11 grandchildren give us great joy and we do appreciate good health. We can hardly wait for the reunion. It will be such a great occasion." ...Chuck '37 and **Helene Cosenza Chase** are delighted to be back in New England. They are happily settled in their new Keene, N.H., home from which they can easily travel to their summer cottage in Northfield, Mass. It is a great treat for me, personally, to have two such good Middlebury friends living in Keene. ...The sudden and unexpected death of **Shirley Haven Clark** in January has been a great shock to us all and a tremendous loss to our class. Shirley has served both our class and the College in many ways. I feel a deep personal loss because Shirley and I had many contacts through the years, the latest being committee work for the 50th Reunion.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Skinner (Ruth Coleman), RD 2, Box 2515, Whitehall, NY 12887.*

The first of the year, Dave '44 and **Evelyn Wheeler Stagg** journeyed to Montpelier for the opening of the '88 legislature. Ev is on the Education Committee, debating the fair distribution of State funds to the towns and school districts in Vermont. **Ray** and **Ruth Coleman Skinner** joined Jean and Sam Guarnaccia '30 at the Stagg home for a delightful evening of "catch-up" talk. Evelyn had just returned from a meeting of women legislators in San Diego. She and Dave were looking forward to spending the holidays with their daughters and grandchildren. ...**Bob Cushman** has kept us up to date on Middlebury matters both by phone and letters. On a recent trip to Russia, Bob and Correan visited several republics, observing how they differ from Moscow. Bob has volunteered with **Marjorie Kohr Lovell** to work on the year book for our 50th Reunion. ...Art '40 and **Eleanor Jeschke Jacques** flew to Bangkok, then to Singapore where they started a cruise to Java, Bali, the Phillipines, Canton, and Hongkong. "So much to see, so many different cultures and beliefs—and so *many* people!" Jess has had surgery—a procedure called carpal tunnel release—on her hands, so they are no longer numb. Art and Jess keep active with biking, golf, and tennis, as well as reading and gardening. They have their family nearby and see them often. It is a treat for them to attend the various school functions and sports contests of their three granddaughters. ...**Thor** and **Carol Miner Gustafson** had an unusual and wonderful trip to England, where they gathered with 144 descendants of Thomas Miner at his birthplace, a delightful village. They were wined, dined, and feted by the villagers, enjoying a craft show, a play, a church service, and dinners at various village homes. Retirement has become a very busy time for the Gustafsons. Carol is active in about five organizations; Thor is into environmental activities, on the board of adjustment (zoning), plus their seven grandchildren who keep them both busy. ...**Bertha Waite Markland** was in Washington, D.C., and attended the alumni reception and College President Robison's lecture, "Reagan and the Russians." We hope to hear or see more about the Marklands before our next newsletter. ...Tom '41 and **Edith "Dede" Egbert Bennett** were in Connecticut for the holidays with two of their children and families. Dede commented on how their grandchildren are growing so fast—"time is passing too quickly." They look forward to getting together with *all* their friends and classmates in '89. ...**Joe Trask** is busy traveling from Pennsylvania to Florida, then to Gorham for the summer. In between, it could be a golf tournament in Aberdeen, Scotland, Hawaii, Cancun, or Europe. This year it was an international golf tour to France, Italy, and Switzerland—good courses and spectacular scenery, including a side trip to Monte Carlo. ...**Joe Foley** writes he will help on our 50th and we hasten to thank him for his efforts. ...**Dorothy Jean Briggs Rafuse Fisher** had a 40th family reunion in Middlebury. The first time *all* the Rafuse family had been together, her sons and daughter came from north, east, south, and west, staying at the Middlebury Inn. Dot is still involved with a Laotian family of 13. She is "Mom" and "Grammajean" to them and feels like Anna in *The King and I*. Dot finds this a very gratifying "real career for her." She helps them in so many ways to orient to their new country, and they help her with outdoor work, as well as lifting her spirits with their "sparkling eyes, flashing smiles, and eagerness to learn." ...Bob '41 and **Betty Grace "BG" Heldman deVeer** spent a joyous Christmas in Northfield, with their children coming home to share their holiday: "so happy but exhausting." BG's book on the life and art of Willard L. Metcalf, *Sunlight and Shadow*, has been published. It is an extraordinarily handsome book with lovely New England landscapes therein. The Keene, N.H., Art Gallery is exhibiting some of BG's own art work and you will find her there helping out as a volunteer from time to time. ...We are saddened to hear that **Dorothy Drown Wintersteen** passed away on May 1. Dot had been making a strong and courageous attempt to recover from cancer surgery. For all the class we extend our deepest sympathy to Pret and their children. ...It was a pleasant surprise to hear from **Betty Romeo**, widow of **Ed Romeo**. She is now living at 12 Summit St., North Andover, MA 01845. We remember her at past reunions when Ed was MC and class secretary. We would like it so much if she joined us for our 50th in '89. ...**Mel** and **Dot Korb Carter** have several community interests keeping them busy in

retirement. Mel is helping the elderly with their income tax, and they both work at the Chamber of Commerce. They have followed high school basketball games this year, having grandsons on two opposing teams (both teams did very well). Mel gets out on his cross-country skis for recreation. ...**Borden** and **Louise Roberts Avery** are busier than ever with the Lake Morey Inn Resort. They developed a good winter business offering groomed trails for cross-country skiing on the golf course and around the lake, and the response has been excellent. They are doing more renovations and travel to Boston to buy fixtures as well as stock for the gift shop. Although their son, Allen, is president of the Inn and no longer in the legislature, the Averys are not completely retired. They go to Hanover to an exercise class every other morning. After a stint in Mary Hitchcock hospital in January, Borden is feeling better with new medication for his heart. The cold bothers him more now so they vacation in the south if possible in February and March. They suggest a package plan for '39ers at the Inn a few days before reunion. Much is offered, including tennis, golf, pools, exercise room, racquet ball, plus entertainment, afternoon tea, and cocktail hour, not to mention walking and jogging around the beautiful lake! I'm sure everyone would have a good time along with good "visiting." The Skinners are enthusiastic about the idea and would like to have more suggestions from each and every one of our classmates for special ideas to make our 50th the best!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert T. Alden (Barbara Plumer), 51 Otterside Court, Middlebury, VT 05753, and James A. Cornwall, 156 Park St., East Hampton, MA 01027.*

Norman and Barbara Counsell '43 **Atwood** sold their antique 1820 house last summer and have moved into a more energy-efficient home with a beautiful view. Norm calls it "Stockbroker Colonial," neither Georgian nor Federal, but not modern or post-modern either. Norm's pride and joy seems to be having a claw-footed bathtub, rather than one of today's mod fiberglass ones in which you really can't get submerged. He keeps busy with local clubs and trusteeships. They were planning to remain in Vermont for the winter. ...**Lee** and Jane McGinnis '42 **Johnson** enjoyed their visit to Middlebury last fall, and returned to California with lots of pictures, including several of covered bridges. Their youngest daughter, Jill, is married to a podiatrist with his own practice north of them in Redding, Calif. Nearby is a ranch where Arabian horses are raised, so Jill is happy to be able to do a lot of riding. Lee has finished the saga of his trip to Arabia and is now doing his Middlebury and Bread Loaf years, urged on by daughter #2. Another daughter lives in the wilds of Montana. ...**Betty Forman Hummel** keeps busy in two golf leagues during the spring, summer, and fall. In Dunellen, N.J., she is involved in the Recreation Commission, and in New Brunswick with the restoration of a historic mansion. ...**Bobby Peek Loftin** is practically a native of Austin, Texas, now that she has spent a third of her life there. She keeps busy with work, water aerobics, and swimming. Our last third-hand report of her new work venture seems to have been garbled in the transmission. To correct that, what she does is write things for people, using the information and notes which they provide. She works for some psychologists, one of whom recently put out a new technical book, called *The Trainer's Professional Development Handbook*. As one of four contributors to the book, she has two chapters in it. ...The big news of the year from **Jean Rose Cozzens** is that she has retired, and it sounds as though she is really enjoying it. Traveling with friends, she enjoyed visiting several of the capital cities of Western Europe last fall. Her son in Huntsville, Ala., has three children, ages 3, 6, and 9. Her other two sons are in Austin, Texas. We hope she'll join us for our 50th. ...**Jean Sweeny Hancock** is a busy "gran," logging several trips to Chicago to help daughter Cindy and children. While babysitting (to enable Cindy and husband Steven to spend ten days in Ireland on a church-related teaching mission), Jean mastered the microwave, learned how to work the VCR, and enjoyed Bethany's attempts to swim at the local Y. High point of the year was the Columbus Day birth of her third grandchild, Christopher Brooks Nicholson. In between trips, Jean manages to play golf and keep up the chores of running a house. ...Kay and **Jim Morrow**, now residents of Port Orford, Oregon (P.O. Box 1032, zip 97865), have purchased a home near the coast and the center of town. The good news is that Kay's health seems to be improving in the milder climate. They have already had some adventures out there, including the totalling of their new car by a high school girl running a red light. Jim is working on a revision of his book on Alaskan freshwater fish, due out in fall 1988. He managed to get a nice 6-point buck during hunting season. He reports that the Pacific black-tail deer are only about half the size of the eastern whitetails. He has rejoined the local Rotary Club; he and Kay enjoy the social aspects of the weekly luncheons. At nearby Southwest Oregon Community College in Coos Bay, they attend fun events such as an evening of 16th-century food and entertainment. Good luck out West, Jim. We miss you around Middlebury. ...Barbara and **Arthur Andres** spend about 4-1/2 months of the year in Naples, Fla., and the balance of the time in Osterville, Mass. Golf is Art's hobby, with an 8-9 handicap at the Oyster Harbor Club on the Cape and the Wilderness Country Club in Naples. Six children represent their offspring, and all are well. ...**Donald Noonan** reports a fall trip to Quebec and a tour of Vermont, plus a stop in Middlebury. He spent most the winter going through three operations involving intestinal problems. He hoped to be fully recovered by April 1 and then off to their summer cottage on Rushford Lake in New York state. ...**Glenn Leggett** is retired but active, doing volunteer work for civic and charitable institutions. Hobbies include tennis, shooting at ducks and pheasants, and watching the number of grandchildren increase to somewhere around ten. ...**Paul (Togo) Eriksson** recently issued a revised edition titled *Treasury of North American Birdlore*. The American Library Association says this classic collection of nature writing "could be the best bird book ever published." The book is a compilation of nature writers whose list reads like a "who's who" of naturalists both past and present. Paul has the best of two worlds—Middlebury in the winter and summers at Lake Dunmore. While he lives within spitting of the College, we unfortunately never see him at Homecoming! Hey, break loose in 1990 for our 50th! ...The last time **Eugene Winslow** wrote, he appeared to be an active member of the Squam Lake community. Now he writes that he and his wife have sold their home (to a 1974 Midd graduate) and hoped to be settled at 14 Runnymede, North Hampton, NH 03862 by June 1988. From the mountains to the seacoast! ...Marge and **James Cornwall** spent three spring weeks in Florida, rehitting Disney World and also getting to Key West. A new grandson greeted them upon their return. ...For the past 11 years, Marjorie and **Charles English** have spent five months of each year on Little Sebago Lake in New Hampshire, but they continue to winter in Falls Church, Va. Their younger son, an attorney in D.C., was married January 1—by his older brother, a pastor of the United Congregational Church in Rochester, N.Y. During the summer months, Charles does lay preaching in Maine and is also active in the Potomac Association of UCC during the winter months. ...**Royce Tabor** is on the mend after heart bypass operations in June and November of 1987. He has been anxious to resume his golfing. ...Dr. **Stanley Moore** is now living in Shelburne, Vt., where he is district superintendent for the Green Mountain District of the United Methodist Church. He expects to retire in another two years. In the past two years, Stan has traveled to the Soviet Union, Kenya, China, and Hong Kong. He also reports seeing **Bob Pickard** in Finland a couple of years ago.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. Elaine Wadlund House, RD 1, Box 3039, Hyde Park, VT 05655, and Lester W. Ingalls, Box 583, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

An interesting sidelight from **Westie (Helen West) Burbank**'s trip to China last fall: "At the Great Wall in Beijing, I met a young Chinese man who had been a student at Middlebury in the early '80s. He was sporting a Middlebury sweatshirt, no less, and was assisting with the production of the NBC *Today* show centered on China." (Ed note: For more news about Zhang Daxing '85, see the 1985 class notes.) Westie and Jack had a marvelous time, citing the high point as a four-day cruise down the Yangtse River. They stopped in Middlebury last fall just after their return from the Orient for a leisurely luncheon chat about their experiences there. ...**Barbara Wells** went in the opposite direction. In November 1987, she and **Frances Cady Grauman** made a pilgrimage to Israel and Egypt. "A lot of impressions I've held from history and geography lessons on that part of the world have been changed dramatically by what I saw! As a group we had fun, too. A good preliminary to winter in Middlebury where I keep busy and do some church work, as well as the local planning commission." ...Also headed for Israel and Egypt in early March '88 were **Charles** and **Doris Wolff Bartlett** and Michael and **Becky Becker Elefante**. We look forward to their reports as the climate there is quite a bit more unsettled at this writing. Other 1987 travels of the Bartletts took them to New Jersey, Vermont, Illinois, and Wisconsin for visits with many friends, as well as with children and grandchildren. They are again ensconced in their Hawthorne, Fla., home after serving an interim pastorate at Morris Fork Presbyterian Church in Booneville, Ky. ...**Laddie Evans** reports that she spends most of her time keeping up her three places and loves every moment of it. "Beach, lake, and mountains are *so* different and I love all of them. Still traveling, also. See my three kids fairly often—one in Virginia, one in South Carolina, and one in North Carolina." ...Last fall, **Margaret Shaub** and **Audrey Hope Wouters** had a five-day bus tour of the Cape, Nantucket, and Martha's Vineyard. While on the Cape, they spent an evening with Clint and **Janet Sutliffe Scilipoti**, who drove over from their home in West Dennis. Shaubie continues, "Otherwise my life continues at its usual frantic pace, with AAUW, Oratorical Society (board member), German course at UVM, and other interests which absorb most of my time. I'm grateful for the energy to pursue these things." ...**Margaret "Miggles" Whittlesey** has resigned her AARP assign-

ment because it had grown to require one week out of four in out-of-state travel. She is clerk for the Vermont Health Policy Council and is also on the North Hero school board. Say Miggles, "We are looking forward to the leadership of the new commissioner of education, Richard Mills '66." ...Now retired and relaxed, **Len Brown** writes, "Andrea is active as service officer of local Legion Post and chaplain of local VFW Post. I'm active in Lions and do some residential appraisals for the VA and several banks. We play golf when the weather is reasonable. Last winter we traveled to Arizona and Florida, visiting friends and relatives. A quiet but enjoyable life on a modest scale." ...**George Clark** is alive and well in Hackensack, N.J. ...Former editor of publications for the Massachusetts Historical Society **Mal Freiberg**—though retired—is at work on a major project: the definitive edition of the Winthrop papers. Despite this demanding commitment, he still found time to attend the Alumni College in Boston last October. ...Says **Gordon "Whitey" Hawes**, "I'm retired (for almost two years now) but busy. I'm into art (water color classes) and music (solo work with glee club) plus freelance writing. Hardly pursuits for an ex-jock, huh? Home in fall, winter, spring; Gloucester and the beach in summer. We manage a trip to the southland in late spring to visit daughter Gale in Atlanta, and on to Florida. Wife Anne still working in medical profession. Our youngest daughter, Andrea, is 15 going on 25. Total brood: five daughters, seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild. I'm almost 100 percent back from the debilitating stroke I had two years ago on New Year's Eve. What more can I say? I'm looking forward to our BIG 50th. I do coach a Little League team every spring and instruct an exercise class for the elderly twice a week, plus work on athletic recruiting for Midd. So, guess I'm just a jock at heart." ...**Summy House** is recovering nicely from major surgery: a flexible sigmoid found a small colon cancer in the early stages, now all removed. "Advice to men and women our ages: Get those checkups." ...**Roy Hovey** (400A Ortega, #107, Mountain View, CA 94040; 415-967-4233) moved recently from Cupertino "as the last one to leave the nest graduates from San Jose State this year. Saw **John Hicks**, who is now a fairly nearby neighbor, only about 90 miles down the pike in Carmel last fall. We enjoyed dinner with John and Priscilla in Palo Alto. I expect soon to be more active in financial planning associated with Judy & Robinson Securities in Menlo Park. Enjoyed Midd Choir in Los Altos last year." ...Mindful of the time lag between composition and publication (our deadline for this issue was February 15), remember that some of the "news" reported here was received as long ago as November. Bear with us!

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bates (Nancy Rindfusz), 29 Long Reach, Salem, SC 29676.*

Sue Hulings Ottinger got out of writing Christmas cards this year and gave Harry the job because of a sore shoulder. Hope you're back on the tennis court now. Along with attending our Middlebury 45th, she had a 40th reunion with her bridge club in Baton Rouge. ...**Elma Boyer** had a wonderful trip to Alaska in late summer of 1987. ...**Grinny Grandy Makulec** enjoyed a period of good health, but has since suffered a relapse. The cataract surgery improved her vision and she was able to buzz around the country visiting friends and having get-away weekends. Her lovely new condo is very convenient. ...Rink '41 and **June Perry Conklin** were sorry to miss reunion, but will try to make the 50th. Their children and families are all well. ...Denny and **Harriet Tillinghast Fuller** had a marvelous 16-day AARP tour in September through the West—Wyoming, the Tetons, Yellowstone, Salt Lake City, Bryce, Zion, Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, Las Vegas, and California from Anaheim up the Coast to Monterey and San Francisco. (Hope you saw the aquarium in Monterey.) They covered a lot of beautiful areas and hope to do the Canadian Rockies next. **Hope Rood Redway** spent a night with them in October and enjoyed the New England fall colors. She hopes to come back over for the 50th. Thanks to Hope for the picture John took of us on the ship in Southampton. ...**Dorothy Milligan Schuck** enjoyed reunion but blamed Grinny for the hot weather. ...**Bill Wood** is amazing everyone with his mobility. He now has a van with a lift to make trips easier. He has had excursions to Peabody Museum in Salem, L.L. Bean, the White Mountains for the fall colors, and northern Vermont for a family reunion. Daughter Sally Wood Needell '75 and her husband, Jerry, come every other weekend to help out and get him out of the house. July brought son Peter '71 and his wife, Sue, as well as son Joe '68 and his wife, Diane. Bill also had many Cleveland and Middlebury visitors last summer, including **Bill** and Jean Bell '44 **Andrews**. ...In January **Phil** and **Betty Blanchard Robinson** headed for Jensen Beach in Florida for a month. They entertained friends there, as well as their son and two grandsons. Phil was planning a sailing trip with a friend bringing a boat from Florida to Maine in May. Also it's 50th reunion time for Phil at Mount Hermon. ...**Meg Buscher Day** spent Thanksgiving with her children, Kathy and Chris and families, on Long Island, and Christmas with a friend at Mohawk Mountain House. She raved about an Elderhostel at Miss Porter's School in Farmington and plans to return next year if they offer other courses. Meg was heading for Bermuda in February and the big ride to Hong Kong and Singapore in late March. ...Eleanor and **Tony Wishinski** sent a Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus Christmas card. Tony is THE Santa Claus in his corner of Connecticut. ... Dottie and **Dixie Davis** had a tough summer in 1987. Dottie's mother died after some difficult months. They hope now to start enjoying the golden years with some traveling. I think Dixie is always ready for a golf game if anyone needs a partner. ...**Bill Andrews** reported that he and Jean had a most enjoyable trip to New Zealand and Australia. Both beautiful countries, he says, but it *is* a long ride. The day care center he's working on is coming along and the end is in sight. ...Your secretaries (**John** and **Nancy Rindfusz Bates**) spent both Thanksgiving and Christmas in Florida with three sons and their families. As we write this we're having the blizzard of '88 revisited. South Carolina isn't supposed to be this way! We head for our island in the sun, Montserrat, next week. We are also looking forward to Jack's 50th reunion at Vermont Academy and a trip down the Danube from Vienna to Istanbul this summer. We enjoy getting your cards and letters. ...We visited **Jack** and **Helen Hooley Young** in Venice (Florida, that is). Helen had a hospital visit for some surgery but is well on the road to recovery. Jack's activities are limited, but they walk the beach every day and have a lovely view from their condo. They were heading to their lake house in Norwich in late spring. ...**Ken Cosgrove** is semi-retired from doctoring in Hendersonville, N.C. He and his wife have pilot's licenses and so cover a lot of ground. They covered a lot of water also when they flew their plane to Europe last year. ...**Pat Kane MacFadden** is toying with the idea of moving to Illinois to be near family. She would pep up the state! ...**Lois Grimm Dustin** spent the holidays in Hawaii (hope you missed the floods) and had a family reunion over Labor Day. ...**Joan Calley Cooper** is busy with the symphony, friends, and family, plus trying to get back into skiing and tennis after her rotator cuff operation. ...**Sue Hulings Ottinger** received a picture of **Virgie Witte Miller** in a Christmas card, with Virgie looking gorgeous on a trip to Africa. ...**Mary Eimer Leinbach** had a grandson in September to go with her three granddaughters. Mary and John were planning an Amazon trip in March. This spring, John had a book coming out called *My God Can Lick Your God* which Mary describes as a religious book with lots of good humor. Mary and **Meg Buscher Day** keep in touch by playing duplicate twice a month. ...We regret to report that **Hope Barton Fitzpatrick** lost her husband, Wayne, recently, and **Nina Camuti Danielsen**'s mother passed away. Nina was able to meet her great aunt in Italy on a recent trip to Europe. ...**Ann Clark Rodda** missed the last deadline but did have a trip to France in late fall, between raking leaves.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. A.E. Dimond (Louise Wilkin), 27 Long Hill Farm, Guilford, CT 06437, and Edward T. Peach, 14242 Deep Creek Road, Nevada City, CA 95959.*

You see very few lines here: We are letting you rest your eyes in preparation for the onslaught to be written jointly by the retiring and new secretaries. You will get all the "inside" information about our 45th Reunion. If you did not attend, and/or did not send news of yourself, why not start your new secretaries' year with a wonderful surprise and WRITE! ...Some of the people we can already thank for a hard job well done are those who attended an Alumni Leadership Weekend last fall: **Chick Johnson Doe, Scott Eakeley, Ibi von Thurn Frawley, Mandy Sanborne Krieble, Ginny Clemens Lowman, Barbara Johnson Nickless, Peter Nikitas**, and **Scott Thayer**. In addition, **Harold Walch** was at Homecoming weekend in October, and **Nelson Roberts** attended a special donor dinner in New York City in October.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Charles A. Brown (Elizabeth Broadbent), 625 Cedar Lane, Villanova, PA 19085, and Dr. George S. Harris, Jr., 212 Main St., Northfield, MA 01360.*

Willis and **Janet Pflug Kleven** are settling into their new home at 13 Primrose Ledge in Essex, Conn., where they would welcome Midd visitors. ...Leight and **Shirley West Johnson** continue to spend summers in Vermont. One of their sons is now working at UVM while living in the Johnsons' Middlebury house. At Christmas time, his twin brother was also looking for a job in Middlebury. ...In her Christmas letter, **Dot Burton Skardal** says that she has been invited to teach at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn., for the interim term in Janaury 1989. Maybe we can persuade Dot to stay on for our 45th Class Reunion in May. ...The most amazing tale of the year is that of **Dave** and Irmy Nierhaus '48 **Stebbins** trip to China. It all began with one of those invitations we have all received to visit vacation real estate developments. Dave and Irmy accepted such an invitation, were wined, dined, and shown property in Ocean City, Md., which

they did not buy (though Irmy was tempted), AND—they won a trip, including round-trip airfare for one and an 8-day stay for two in Hong Kong! They had to send $1,000 for the second airfare, and did not receive their tickets and hotel reservations until the day of departure, but off they went in August. They had a great time sightseeing and shopping for 8 days. Obviously Dave is enjoying his recent retirement! ...**Robert Klein** and **Robert Sheehan** were among those who enjoyed Homecoming in October of '87. "Bobo" Sheehan also attended a 1948 Football Team Reunion at Homecoming....**Horace** and Carolyn Ohlander '43 **DePodwin**, and **Theodore Kolzak** attended a Middlebury dinner given for donors in October in New York City. ...After 12 years, Dr. **George Harris** is retiring in June of '88 as school physician for Northfield-Mt. Hermon School in Massachusetts. He and wife Barbara Busing Harris '46 are moving to their home in Sanbornton, N.H. The difficult part of the move is anticipated to be the transporting of the thousands of books accumulated by Barbara for her used book business! A later report will be forthcoming. Pete is recovering nicely from his second hip replacement operation. After they move, he hopes to garden, mow the lawn, and play tennis. At tennis, Pete says he'll guard the alley on his side and Barbara can do the rest!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Winslow Wetherbee, Jr. (Barbara Boyden), 1642 18th St., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223, and Will J. Bangs, 119 Bingham Road, Carlisle, MA 01741.*

Midge Harwood Greer retired last June and seems to be enjoying the freedom. As a student of Concord, Mass., history and authors, she has been working as a guide at the Concord Antiquarian Museum. She finds she meets many people who share her interest in Concord's background. Midge and husband Jim are still enjoying the Elderhostels. They went to Kingston, Ontario, and Oswego, N.Y., last July and to the Massanetta Springs Conference Center in Harrisonburg, Va., in November. ...George and **June Robinson Reenan** finally got a granddaughter after six grandsons! ...We read in the *Daily News* of Newburyport, Mass., that **Richard Merrill** taught a class about women poets at the Senior Center there last fall. Dick has taught English, French, and Spanish at Haverhill High School for six years. Before that he edited an English publication in Mexico for 15 years. ...We were sorry to hear of the death of Joseph Mottola, husband of **Muriel "Dusty" Cormack Mottola**, on November 18, 1987. Those of us who attended our 40th Reunion in 1985 remember Joe as a fun-loving member of the group. The Class of '45 sends deepest sympathy to you, Dusty. By the time this goes to press, Dusty and her daughter, Janet, will have enjoyed a trip to Florida.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Roy E. Coombs, Jr. (Fran Tenney), 30 Fern Place, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922, and Mrs. Albert S. Johnston (Eileen Luz), 54 Old Army Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924.*

When the mail fails to bring us bits and pieces for our '46 notes, then we "reach out to touch" a few of you. Most protest they have no "real news," but we need to know what you are doing these days. ...When I (**Fran Tenney Coombs**) talked to **Walter Webb**, he had his youngest grandchild asleep on his shoulder. He is very experienced at grandparenting—five at last count and all nearby. Walt and **Jane Billings Webb** were eagerly anticipating his retirement. Jane will probably continue in the school system for another few years. They plan a leisurely trip across the country this summer, looking forward to seeing places which he has only seen from an altitude of 30,000 feet! ...We regret to report that **Jane Laux Holt**'s husband, Edward, passed away on February 5, 1988. We extend our sincere condolences to Jane. ...After 22 years of teaching Spanish, **Valeta Cutting Robinson** retired two years ago. Her husband, George, however, went back to teaching part time at Springfield, Mass., Technical College. Their older son is a lawyer on the West Coast and three grandchildren there are the best excuse for traveling. Their younger son, who is with the State Department, is just back from Mexico with a possible assignment in the Soviet Union. ...Ed and **Bobby Roberts Klaisz** plan to stay put in retirement, even though most of their friends seem to be moving south. In the summer they go from Woodbury to Ocean City, N.J. Bobby was delighted to have a visit with **Marty Palfrey Davies** in the fall. ...To correct an error in an earlier column, **Gladys Swift Seibert** works with the American Lung Association and is a vigorous proponent of a smoke-free environment. Roy and I spent a most enjoyable evening with Swiftie last fall when we were helping our younger daughter and her husband who were moving into the Harrisburg area. It was the first time Swiftie and I had seen each other since our wedding 37 years ago! What a lot of catching up we had to do! ...**Jean Schwab Schork, Barbara Flink Ewels, Priscilla Clisham Kydd, Eileen Luz Johnston** and I, plus husbands, had dinner together recently. Pat shared the news that their younger son graduated last June from Princeton with high honors in philosophy—"a useful discipline," to quote his mother. ...**Jean Smith Murphy** has added another job to the list we reported recently. She is now part-time secretary (more like full-time) for her church in Rockland, Maine. ...The annual Leadership Conference which the College sponsors at Bread Loaf each fall is a great morale-booster for class agents and secretaries. Even though it was a rainy weekend in fall 1987, the Midd Spirit was much in evidence. Your class agents, **Charles Cutting** and **Kay Craven** were there and I enjoyed hearing about all the things Kay is involved with on the Cape. She loves company at her East Dennis, Mass., home. Just get yourself on her busy calendar. We all enjoyed renewing acquaintance with members of the classes just before and after '46. A most rewarding experience!

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Class Secretaries: *Rev. and Mrs. George H. Booth (Joanne Buckeridge), 3515 N. Washington Blvd., #401, Arlington, VA 22201.*

From Seattle, Wash., **Janet Kraft West** reports that she loves retirement. She now has time for traveling to such exotic places as New Zealand. When she is home, her days are full with such volunteer activities as ACLU, social work, and the Adult Literacy program. ...Bob and **Lois ("Bussie") Southgate Badger** are living the ideal life, spending about five months of the year on their sailboat, *Sea Badger*, and the rest of the time enjoying the snowy wilds of Jackson, N.H. They also love visiting their three children and six grandchildren in various locales along the eastern seaboard. One of their highlights of last year was taking part in the Middlebury China trip. The group was a "great bunch" of around 24, including such Midd alums as Al '44 and Hedy Hogg Boissevan '45 and Betty Adell McCord '45. It was a great experience, intellectually stimulating, and very ably led by Nick Clifford, Midd history professor. ...Your class secretaries remind you to send us all your news, changes of address, marriages, and photos you have of mini-reunions with fellow classmates of '47.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Allen W. Stillman (Margery Lehmann), RD 3, S. Munger St., Middlebury VT 05753, and Robert N. Andersen, 12 Prout Ave., Troy, NY 12180.*

Co-class Secretary, **Bob Andersen** is one of six authors of a new history of Rensselaer County, N.Y., to be titled "A Resourceful People." Biggest chore for Bob (and his co-writers) was signing his name 2,000 times. The first edition of 2,000 copies had to have special signed and numbered book plates. The profits will go to the County Historical Society where Bob is a volunteer researcher. ...Esther and **John R. Carpenter** have just retired as owners of the Rug Shop in Lafayette, Ind. The shop, which they purchased in 1970, had been operated in the family-owned small business tradition since 1908. Esther gave up teaching to become the store's decorating consultant. They had expanded the staff from 4 to 28 and added an art area, decorating accessories, and gifts (which they purchased by traveling to shows all over the U.S.). The shop has survived fire, flood, car crash, and years when people just weren't buying carpet! The Carpenters are happy to have sold to two families who will keep up the family-owner tradition. ...**Miriam Wade Butts** lectured on New England architecture for the Sandwich Historical Society at their Glass Museum. Her lecture included slides of meeting houses built between 1630 and the late 18th century in a number of New England towns. Mim has lectured at the Worcester Art Museum, Walker Art Museum, and Bowdoin College. She is presenting a series of lectures in American portraits at the Currier Gallery in Manchester, N.H. ...**Fran Van Cleve Smith** writes, "Ben is the only CPA in Nye County and I've had to work for him. It has been SO BUSY! Have something published once in a while, but hardly write at all any more. Just had a back cover on *Sea Frontiers* and a pic in *Travel Holiday* and also several poems. Just finished lyrics for a blues number and a signature song for the Sorta Dixie Jazz Band in Las Vegas." Our thanks to Fran and to **Stew Washburn** who have graciously agreed to take over the duties of class secretary after Reunion.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. George A. Platt (Rachel Adkins), 682 Mendon Road, Pittsford, NY 14534, and John H. Valentine, Jr., 566 Acton St., Carlisle, MA 01741.*

Some alumni go to great lengths to have a reunion. Would you believe a reunion on the equator in Africa? **Jean Sloan Briggs, Michael Glowa**, and yours truly (**Rachel Adkins Platt**) did just that. We three were there in January on an African safari sponsored by Middlebury College. It was a super group of fun-loving, interesting people accompanied by Professors John Spencer and Bruce Peterson '56, and Bruce's wife, Judy Allen Peterson '55. Animals, birds, and scenery were in abundance,

as well as interesting and informative lectures concerning the history of the area (specifically Kenya and Tanzania) and its flora and fauna. Lots of opportunity also to be updated on our fellow classmates. Jean and husband Phil '47 live in Greenwich, Conn. He is still with Metropolitan and Jean finds herself busy in the community, enjoying time seeing their grown family and playing lots of golf. Mike and wife Peg have left Vermont's cold winters and have retired to the warmer climes of York, S.C. While the snows still cover the ground up north, they see the flowers and trees blooming, and the warm breezes blow. ...In January we learned that **Janet C. Curry**, a consultant microbiologist and president of MQC, Inc., has been installed as vice president elect of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists at its annual meeting in N.Y.C. She will serve as vice president in 1989 and president in 1990. Through the years she has been active in many Society affairs and, in 1985, she chaired the committee on scientific affairs. She has also been the author of more than 20 articles and holds three patents. ...It would have been interesting to be a mouse in the corner and hear the reminiscing of the members of the '48 football team at their reunion last fall. A good number attended: **Edward "Pat" Mulligan, Kyle Prescott, Charlie Puksta, David Thompson**, and **Spencer Wright**. I wonder how much football was played? ...A Christmas note from **Patricia Allen Guthrie** relates many changes for them last year. She says husband Dave has retired and that she is now teaching only half a day. Son Duke has gone off to Princeton so, after all these years, the nest is empty. They are considering New Hampshire as a retirement location. ...Gus and **Doris Queren Oddsen** celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary with a cruise on the *Homeric* to Bermuda and "had a fabulous time." They continue to spend some time in Vermont. With daughter Susan '90 attending Middlebury they find it even more attractive to travel there. ...Dr. **Eugene Westover Robinson** has retired from 36 years of dental practice in Watertown, N.Y. No word as to any change in location yet. ...As a Midd student, **Allen Perry** was commodore of the Sailing Club and his interest in sailing and boats has continued. It is little wonder that he is now vice president of Falmouth Marine and is involved in a boat charter business with wife Gay. Their Cape Yacht Charters business serves clients from all over the country, arranging boat vacations in the Mediterranean, the Caribbean, New England, and more recently the Pacific Northwest. Some of the more familiar names among their clients are Ethel Kennedy, rock star Stevie Nicks, and New York Governor Mario Cuomo's daughter, Maria, for her honeymoon. They now have access to approximately 500 boats, ranging from 40 to 200 feet, and find their business has doubled in the past year. Alan's involvement in the business includes advertising and investigating charter boats and crews. Anyone looking for an interesting and fun vacation should find this a great adventure.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert T. Davison (Jacqueline Brooks), 86 Spring St., Lexington, MA 02173 (617-862-3282), and Dexter C. Whittinghill, Jr., 24 Burroughs Road, Lexington, MA 02173 (617-862-7738)*

Caught Dr. **John Irons** and wife Gene Edgar Irons '49 munching in front of the TV during NFL wrap-up at 215 Grandview St., Bennington, VT 05201, their home of 31 years. Retirement from dental practice in mid-1986 paralleled selling the family fabric store. On weekends, John assists younger son to build, plaster, and paint a new home on the back forty. Weekdays he is completing his fifth year understudying a local woodworking expert in furniture building/refinishing. They often retreat to their camp in nearby Woodford. Older son Pete '76 is a "stream biologist" at the University of Alaska (forestry) on his way to a doctorate; he recently taught a Midd seminar in "northern studies." Daughter Katherine '79 and marine biologist husband Scott Smiley are working towards doctorates at the University of California. No grandchildren yet for the Irons, but they'd love to hear about yours if you'll call 802-442-2491 at fireside hour. ..."Retirement is great! The best thing that ever happened," quotes **Bob Jackson** (23 Briarcliff Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603) during our recent 914-462-3814 chat. After about 100 years with IBM, he took the "golden window" in June '86. Equipped with PC and local college EDP courses, treasurer Bob has completely computerized his church's finances. Wife Jackie has cut back to three days/week on her Chamber of Commerce job to better supervise her mentally stimulated spouse. "Not enough exercise," quotes Bob, whose swollen knees no longer allow skiing and jogging to be fun. So it's into the new motor home and off to Colorado for 4-6 weeks to visit Jackie's older boys. Bob's two daughters and his son are all EDP-oriented, e.g. married to IBMer in Paris while "trying out" in opera, top salesperson nationally for Connecticut-based temporary personnel agency/consultants, and local IBM employee. Bob's brother died in '86 but life is starting to look a lot better daily in Poughkeepsie. ...Lost-n-found in the Maine woods, **Tom June** answered my jingle at 207-985-7198. After Midd and a chem engineering B.S. from Worcester PolyTech, he spent 32 years with Koppers. Retirement came as V.P. in 1983, after first wife died in '81. Bad luck continued as second wife also died in '85. Heavily traveled, via Pittsburgh, Australia, Chicago, and Ohio, Tom seems very content to settle in and rock on the porch at 86 Fletcher, Kennebunk, ME 04043, "just batching and lookin' for a lively rich widow. Got to get a new crew or a smaller boat." He sees **Bill Dewey** often and offers his 17-hdcp as bait for a $2 Nassau. Fore! Best wishes, Tom, for a brighter retirement. ...**Bill Zack** filled two notebooks and wore out three pens with a varied tale of careers and family. New phone 813-955-4892 now correlates with his modified address of Apt. 102-A, 3350 South Osprey Ave., Sarasota, FL 34239. (Hey, Drs. **Meeker** and **Brew**, did the shockwave litho-tripsey on kidney stone cause the white goatee, mustache and hair, or visa-versa? Or was it the 25 years crafting and marketing gold-silver-bronze-gem jewelry?) After the Navy Air Corp and Midd, came an M.S. in psychology at Florida State, vocational guidance counselor at a Georgia academy, and three years of teaching cryptology to the Army at Fort Gordon. With his first wife Jane, of 20 years, Bill reared a family of three sons and three daughters, who are all away now with two married. One daughter is trying for the '88 Olympics, after being the 1987 national "criterion bicycling" champ. An 18-month, 19-countries International Youth Hostel biking jaunt got Bill to Europe. After seven years alone, Bill married Martha 11 years ago and sold the shop. Five years ago he bought a computer and many manuals, and in ten months taught himself to be a programming whiz-bang. Bill now teaches his fourth career to adults at night at Sarasota Voc Tech. He plans to retire in a year or two and wheel his 27-foot motor home across the U.S.A. Travelers and **Bob Jackson** beware! ...Reviewed the 1987 holiday edition of the **Wright** Report from **Chuck**. All is well in Sarasota. **Bill Pihlcrantz**, Dave Thompson '49, and Gordie Perine '49 all visited the homestead in '87. A new VCR with camera adds alternatives to education, entertainment, and keeping up with his constantly sprouting family. They still have the memorable cottage on Lake Dunmore. Publically, Chuck keeps busy playing bridge, typing, "visiting/out-reaching to other patients, listening and watching recorded books, mags and films," etc., but, undercover, he runs the local football pool and won second prize at the Halloween costume contest as a clown. Loyal wife Barbara is still the solid back-up team member. In case anyone missed it, Chuck reported "my team, the New York Giants, won the '87 Super Bowl." But, what about this year, ole man? I'm here writing in minus-5-degree weather, watching the '88 semi-finalists battle each other, while you'll read the news in 80-degrees-plus summer heat. Ain't fair! ...Sad to announce that brother Dick Whittinghill '52 died here on November 21, after a courageous four-month battle with lung (smoking) cancer. Norma Horsford Whittinghill '51 and I had a real rough fall, but hope to fly super-saver to Florida in two weeks to recharge our batteries in the Naples-Ft. Myers area for 11 days. Won't be our usual series of area visits, as we need mucho sand between our toes, and to correct our hooks-n-slices without filling the sandtraps with golf balls. We did regain a little strength and positive attitude by visiting the three granddaughters in the Philadelphia area on Boxing Day-plus. Rumblings at work hint of a possible early retirement. We're ready if the price is right! Hey, gang, I sure need some tid-bits before my next deadline. These 20-minute phone calls and their allied bills are sure cutting into my retirement nest egg. I'm worth 22 cents, aren't I? Don't answer that! ...Turning to the telephone to get some news, I (**Jacqueline Brooks Davison**) called **Pat Bonfield** in New York City. Poor Pat was taken by surprise and tried their best to answer my persistent questions. She has been retired for several years but doesn't find it hard to keep busy. Pat recently traveled back to her home town of St. Augustine, Fla., and has mixed feelings about the changes she saw. Pat is flirting with the possibility of moving somewhere warm, but she is definitely coming to our 40th in two years' time. ...Telephone answering machines are great—except for folks who call long distance. In my relentless quest for news I've left quite a few messages, but I *shall* call again, never fear. I was pleased to find **Ginny Worley Valpey** home and we had a great chat. Ginny now sells real estate more or less full time and finds the time it takes can be flexible so she can fit in all her many activities. She and her husband are founders of the Unitarian-Universalist Church in South Shores, N.C., an incorporated town near Kitty Hawk. Along with directing the choir, Ginny is an active member of the League of Women Voters and participated in the publication of a citizen guide to county government. Their three married children live in Waltham, Mass., Durham, N.C., and Georgia—all great places to visit. When asked how she likes North Carolina as a retirement location, Ginny was a booster for the climate, noting that they see changes in season and enjoy mild winters. They have seen snow only once in the eight years that they have lived there. "Come visit and see for yourself," says Ginny. "We live right on the ocean." ...We are very sad to report the death of former class secretary **Bill Hentz** on May 7, 1988. Our sincere condolences to **Carol** (Rd 1, Box 57, Orchard Lane, Middlebury, VT 05753). A memorial is being written, and it will appear in a future issue of the magazine.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Higgins, Jr. (Jean Maintain), 44 Cabot St., Winchester, MA 01890, and Benito G. Barsanti, 70 Plymouth Road, Wakefield, MA 01880.*

Sitting by the fire here in Winchester watching the opening ceremonies of the Olympic Games in Calgary (our deadline two days away), we think of you all, with thanks especially to all who sent us news briefs in reply to Benny's letter. ...Seems appropriate to begin with **Joan Macklaier Birkett** whose family is spread between California and Calgary. Last June she completed an interesting research project for Children's Broadcasting, traveling from Baffin Island to Victoria Island above the Arctic Circle, interviewing parents, teachers, and children. She has now returned from a bicycling tour in the Burgundy area of France. More pets than people inhabit the home at 30 Muir Pack Circle, Senneville, Quebec H9X 1T8, where she and John now live. John works part time as a consultant, Joan as part homemaker and part gardener. ...**Gretchen Storer Evans** is involved (more than ever) in teaching ballet, now in her own school. Her daughter, Ann, an officer at Chemical Bank in N.Y.C. is singing "Anna" in *The King and I.* Daughter Lisa is job hunting as a "newly-minted" audiologist, and son Scott is student body president in his senior year at Dartmouth. ...**Bob "Fluff" Grocott** continues to enjoy retirement with wife Claire on beautiful Keowee Key in Salem, S.C., where golfing, boating, fishing, bridge playing, plus some traveling fill his time completely. Anyone wanting information about the rigors of South Carolina retirement should contact Fluff at 14 Cats Paw, Salem, SC 29676. ...While still working for IBM as a product planner, **George Terner** has accepted an assignment to Rome for a few years. George and his wife have been looking forward to this exciting opportunity and moved in January to a suburban apartment at Via di Casalpalocco 126, 000144 Roma, Italia. Last spring he surprised Roger Beach '48 one Sunday by dropping by his Gilbertville, N.Y., church and having a good visit after Roger's sermon. ...Retirement means a new address for Ralph and **Barbara Glenn Pempel**, their Welsh Corgi dog, and five cats, as they all head for Big Canoe, Ga., a mountain resort north of Atlanta. They will also spend time at their beachfront condo in Ormond Beach, Fla. Their daughter, Amy, is in the public relations department of Turner Broadcasting. An invitation is extended to any '51ers heading south: 1074 Robins Nest, Big Canoe, GA 30143. ...**Elizabeth Nelson Esterson** reports some impressive credentials. Having joined the board of directors of Taylor Nelson's parent company, Addison Consulting Group, Betty has also been asked to become an executive director of a large international bank. She continues as a council member of the World Association of Public Opinion Research, as well as a council member of the Royal Society of Arts. ...**Joan Pratt** looks forward to traveling and is also happy to have free time enough to learn to play golf. She has retired following 34 years of teaching physical education and coaching interscholastic sports. For 30 years she taught in Honolulu at the Punahou School, the largest co-educational independent day school in the U.S. Founded by missionaries in 1841, it is the oldest college prep school west of the Rockies. ...New grandfather **Scott Buzby** continues to enjoy his work with Goodyear in Canada. He reports that his daughter, Cindy Buzby Farner '80, is working for IBM in Boston and has a 3-month-old daughter. Scott's son is also married and working in San Francisco. All are in good health. ...**Bill Sommers**, who lives in Lexington, Mass., has succeeded in cutting down his commuting time by accepting the job of commissioner of the Department of Public Works for the city of Cambridge, Mass. For the past two years he has worked in Boston's Department of Inspectional Services. Bill started his new job, which involved managing complex systems, last October 26. ...**Lou "Jeff" Francisco** has been saving all his news for just the right time: now. "First child, Deborah Francisco McDowell '75, married Sam McDowell '71 and works for IBM. Son Mike graduated from med school, Liege, Belgium, and is now a resident at Bridgeport Hospital, Conn. Daughter Linda, graduated nursing B.S. Hartwick College, married, and has just produced first grandson, 9 lbs., 4.5 oz. Grampa just bought a ski house at Okemo and is ready to retire to skiing. All are well and healthy and that's the most important." ...Paul '52 and **Marianne Folke Lincoln** had great fun (and again hot weather) for Paul's 35th Reunion. Life continues enjoyable for them in Kingwood, Texas, only 30 minutes from Houston, where they extend another invitation for "YAWL come down, you hear!" By the way, Marianne celebrated her 1/2 birthday on February 12. I'm sure most of you remember what an important day that was for her, and EVEN BEFORE her own "Lincoln" came along. ...**Diana Carroll Tollner** still loves having her computer dealership in Greensboro, N.C. She traveled to England last fall. ...Ted and **Jane Hyde Christopher** spent some time in the Boston area during the Christmas season. Their daughter, Susan Christopher Leist '76 and her husband, Bob, hosted a lovely party at their new home in Medfield in honor of "the two Teddies"—grandfather and grandson. ...**Don Axinn** has been chosen as the 1987 recipient of the George M. Estabrook Distinguished Service Award bestowed by the Hofstra University Alumni Association. ...After many years in university administration, **Don Lelong** is now back teaching economics at the University of Texas in Austin. Wife Jackie Willaredt Lelong '52 continues as director of Family Eldercase, Inc., a non-profit training, consulting, and counseling agency she founded five years ago. The new Lelong address is 7920 Rockwood Lane, #245, Austin TX 78758. ...Bob and **Barbara "Penny" Penn Buchanan** were sorry to miss our 35th but, in its stead, Bob conspired with Cam and **Ann "Bonnie" Graham Baird** to organize a surprise (to Penny) mini-reunion in London in March '87. "How would you react, walking into a London bar to find your old college roommate and her husband sitting in wait?!" Their second annual was planned for Grand Cayman, March 1988. Though Bob is a "gleeful retiree," Penny runs the real estate company, serves on a bank board, a public TV board, and an airport industrial park development committee. She does find a month for her "other life," attending Arabian horse shows all over the country, cheering on her son, John Rannenburg. Penny and Bob have welcomed their 11th grandchild. Whee! ...Our Secretary Emeritus **Joannie Allen Armour** continues to revel in her freedom from duty, writing that all is well with kids, dogs, and Simsbury. She had early Christmas with the B'flo ladies and a wonderful family ski reunion in Utah last spring. She sent on good reunion pictures from **Alex Iannone** and, along with what he sent to Winchester, we have some good additions to our scrapbook. Meanwhile, **Ed** and **Jean Maintain Higgins** had a great trip last fall, barging on the Midi Canal in Southern France with two other couples, then traveling on through Italy to Switzerland and back to Paris. Penny expressed difficulty in remembering the ages of their 11 grandchildren. We're having to concentrate very hard to remember the birth dates of our six—a girl and two boys for Susan, and a boy and two girls for Carol! To those of you who have not yet received Benny's letter, watch for it and regardez! Thanks!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert Francoeur (Mary Halsted), 456 Gurney, Lake Bluff, IL 60044, and Mr. Al Mutti, 57 Crooked Trail Road, Rowayton, CT 06853.*

Carol Whitham Brewster's accomplishments for 1987 included completing a project with Maine's Department of Human Services, trips to California and Colorado, teaching a writing workshop and an English grammar course in Augusta's adult education program, and taking an art history course at Bowdoin. She is also in the docent training program at the Bowdoin Art Museum. On January 16, 1988, Carol returned from two weeks in Nicaragua as a member of a Witness for Peace group. ...**Martha Peck Burgess** had a wonderful trip to southern France in the spring of 1987, and then went to China and Japan in the fall. Mardy has been accepted in a doctoral program at the Union for Experimenting Colleges and Universities. The program will enable her to develop the book she has planned to write, relating new brain research to education to improve learning, while earning her Ph.D. ...I (**Mary Halsted Francoeur**) worry that some of you will be reluctant to reply to our appeal for news because you don't think you're doing anything "significant." So I want to tell you that my current travels consist of a daily walk to Lake Michigan (three blocks away) and my latest accomplishment is being able to stick it out on my Exercycle for three miles almost every evening. In addition, I will be caring for my 2-1/2-year-old grandson and his 4-month-old puppy starting this weekend—for three weeks! Whatever you are doing, please write! ...**Chuck Lauer** was instrumental in assuring a good turnout for the Middlebury vs. Lake Forest College hockey game in Lake Forest, Ill. Chuck's son, Randy, former captain of the Lake Forest hockey team, and **Steve Baker**'s son, Jim, were also there. Jim and Randy are both working towards their MBAs at Northwestern. Chuck has been named CEO Marketer of the Year by the American College of Healthcare Marketing which cited him "for his leadership in supporting healthcare marketing and his publication's contribution to creating a better understanding of the dynamic healthcare industry. As the publisher of *Modern Health Care* Chuck is the perfect spokesperson for the magazine, looking exactly the same as he did when we graduated (no gray hair, no wrinkles and not an ounce of extra padding). He runs with his dog every day and plays hockey with a local team every weekend. ...**Charles "Chip" Archibald** has started Psychosocial Enterprises, Inc., since his 1982 retirement from the U.S. Public Helath Service where he was a mental health consultant for 26 Indian tribes. He is now the Canada-to-Mexico coordinator of Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, a Better Business Bureau representative, a mediator with the courts, serves Crimestoppers and Hospice, and says he "still sails and plays tennis a lot." In addition to his certification as a psychiatric social worker, he is a certified paralegal and a Unitarian minister, succeeding his role as a Methodist minister in the 1950s. He received a B.A. from the University of New Mexico, an M.S.W. from Florida State University, and a Th.D. from Hardin-Simmons University. His mailing address is P.O. Box 1637, Durango, CO

81302. ...Living in Jasper, Ind., Dr. **Bill Curran** is medical director of the Occupational Medical Clinic. He has retired from general surgery and now works only 40 hours a week (vs. 80 previously). He still has the same wife of 34 years and five children, two living in Boston, one in Chicago, one in Columbia, S.C., and the last a junior at Indiana University. His wife plays golf and they are both involved in antiques and classic cars. Though he doesn't get back east much anymore, he was in Vermont for two weddings in spring of 1987. Bill inquired about **Towar Wade** who sent me (**Al Mutti**) a Christmas card and a friendly note. He is living in Houston, Texas, but spends summers in Grand Isle, Vt. Maybe you can catch up with him there, Bill. Towar was sorry to have missed our 35th Reunion but "just can't make two trips" from Texas in one year. Towar is "president and sole employee of Towar Wade Interest" since retiring in March 1987. Whatever you're doing, Towar, best wishes for success. ...In Ashland, Oregon, **Bill Stotz** is "retired, I guess, because I sold my interest in the business 18 months ago and haven't looked for anything else since then. We've done a lot of traveling since July of 1986. Only new undertaking is serving on the board of the Oregon Field Ornithologists. Family spread around: son in Brazil, daughters in China, Oregon, and Florida." ...**Harold McGee** is owner of Shelter Island Hardware after 30 years with AT&T. He says he has "seen and heard from **Jeanne (Koelsch McGee)** who is living with me in a state of bliss, retired and working at the same company as a bookkeeper." He says they are managing to have fun and excitement by traveling in winter and playing golf and tennis in the summer. Harold is chairman of the board of Shelter Island Property Owners and a director of its Ferry Company. "Our Island is still remote enough to require a ferry, which is vital to the community. This is a tranquil resort 2-1/2 hours out of Manhattan—at the tip of Long Island. Stop in and see us." ...**Tim Budd** is director of business-industry development center, Harrisburg Area Community College. He says he is enjoying a second career, his grandchildren, and becoming reacquainted with Middlebury classmates as their class agent. He also claims to be playing duffer golf and bridge, and says he enjoys shoveling snow in the winter and yard work the rest of the year. Tim has inquired about several of our classmates whom he has not heard from in a very long time. I will attempt to contact them to provide all of us with some information as to their whereabouts. I expect to get together with Tim for some golf the next time he is passing through the N.Y. metropolitan area. We are looking for more golfers and hoping that **Dick Daily** is serious about joining us. Dick is vice president of Alphaflex Industries in Indianapolis, Ind., where he and his family are fine and healthy, etc. Dick says tennis is good, golf is poor, but the good news is that he is awaiting delivery of his restored airplane for more fun flying. He said that **Joe** and Ann Golding '53 **Davis** visited him for the Pan Am Games in August 1987. ...**Charlie Ratte** writes that he is "still enjoying the good life in Vermont, fortunate to be able to practice my profession as Vermont's State Geologist in the Green Mountain State. Managed to work in lots of swimming and fly fishing in the summer and cross-country skiing and snowshoeing in winter." Charlie said he got together with **Bill Kirby, Doug Webb**, and their families at a fall get-together at Bill's Sherburne, Vt., home. He sends his best wishes to all. ...Still living in Middlebury but now retired, **Frank Churchill** says he is recorder of Cairo Temple Shriners in Rutland and on the board of governors of Shriners Hospital in Montreal. He was looking forward to warm weather so he can fly his airplane out of Middlebury airport once again. In response to your question, Frank, I was actively playing trumpet in New York City while obtaining an M.A. degree in music education from Columbia University in 1955, but since then other business interests have not allowed me the free time to continue this avocation. What about you? ...**Dick Ragle** is a consulting geologist (R.H. Ragle & Associates) in cold regions research, located in Anchorage, Alaska. "Not much going on in my specialty since the Prudhoe Bay exploratory drilling has slowed to a near standstill. So I work out in my shop making boot racks, cabinets, toy chests, etc." Doesn't sound too bad, Dick. ...**Sid Hammond**, retired in Hartland, Vt., is "enjoying my grandchildren, cross-country skiing, and doing forestry work on my 150-acre farm in Hartland. Also, maintaining the farm fruit orchard and 15 hives of honey bees, traveling, serving on local town and institutional boards and planning to re-marry after two years of being a widower." Sounds like a busy retirement, Sid. ...**Steven E. Baker**, "president of Baker's Bookstore on Main Street, renewed a family tradition Saturday evening when he was named Person of the Year for 1987 by the Brattleboro Area Chamber of Commerce. Cited by the Chamber for his long-term and far-reaching service to the community, Baker is the son of 1978 Man of the Year James Baker, who was among more than 400 people packing the Chamber's 81st annual membership dinner. James Baker, who was a downtown merchant for more than 60 years, turned a newsstand on Flat Street into the large business (now run by his sons) which occupies a block on Main Street. A seventh generation Vermonter, Steven comes from a family and a business with a long history of serving the community. It is difficult to find an organization in his area, we are told, which Steven has not assisted in some way with fund-raising or the use of his varied skills. Over the years he has participated actively in the American Legion, VFW, Connecticut River Watershed Council, Vermont Historical Society, National Trust of Historic Preservation, Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, and Brattleboro Outing Club. In 1964 he received Brattleboro's Young Man of the Year award; in 1966 the Vermont Recreation Board award; and in 1983 a board certificate of appreciation from the Town of Brattleboro Recreation and Parks Department. Congratulations, Steve! ...Thanks to **Ken Nourse** for offering to assist me as class secretary. Those of you who would also like to help can do so by sending news items of any kind concerning yourself and other classmates.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. James D. Ross (Ann McGinley), RD 2, Middlebury VT 05753, and Robert C. Kelly, 39 Brewer Parkway, South Burlington, VT 05403.*

Several classmates have responded to our recent letter. ...**Millard Davis** of Cherry Hill, N.J., is a state entomologist working with (or against) the gypsy moth. His son, Peter, who graduated from Lycoming College, is married and flies helicopters for the U.S. Navy. Daughter Betsy is in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, with her Navy husband. Leah is married and in Panama; Richy is a student at Caldwell College; and 13-year-old Lynn is in the 8th grade. That's a lot of spread, Bill, but I (**Bob Kelly**) have you beat because my oldest is 32 and youngest 14. I talked to my namesake, **Robert B. Kelly**, who has retired from United Airlines and is living in Saratoga, Calif. Bob has three daughters. Needless to say he still spends a lot of time hunting and fishing. ...**Ransom Rice**, now living in Oklahoma City, works in the drug and alcohol field. I assume it is on the right side of the law, if I know Randy. He has a youngster back in Vermont teaching school in Bristol. ...Retired from his technical report writing job at Embrey Riddle Aeronautical, **Bob Arel** is now doing some part-time teaching. ...Still in the Easton, Md., area, **Dick Allen** has left his old job and is involved with an insurance agency. ...**Janet Spurr Cymbala** is enjoying her new job at Cooper & Lybrand's National Professional Education division in Newark. Son Robert is a May graduate in forestry from SUNY in Syracuse. Margaret (19) commutes to Montclair State where she is an English honors major. ...**Judy Von Bernuth Sharp** will be in attendance at younger son Andrew's graduation from Boston College Law School on Reunion Weekend. He graduated cum laude from Union in 1985. His older brother, Doug, is an emergency medical technician in Yonkers and a volunteer fireman in Larchmont. Judy is still involved in real estate. ...**Lyman Allen** was remarried to Mary Ann Daly in 1984 and is still in seventh heaven. He reports that he almost died of malaria after a trip to Honduras in 1985, but has recovered, with the only after-effect being some gray hair. ...**Nancy Clemens Crosby** announced that her husband retired from his business in January. She hopes to semi-retire at the end of the year. The Crosbys were spending the month of April in Arizona. ...**Elizabeth Darling Sherburne**, who is singing with two choral groups, will be going back to school in the fall. The Sherburnes were happy to welcome **Peg Davidson Zone** and her husband to Nashville. Daughter Lynne and Peg's son, Doug, have become friends at Fletcher School. ...**Janet Pope Paulsen**'s main pastime is keeping track of her family who seem to be spread far and wide. Peter, a Beaver Creek Ski Patrolman, spent last summer as head of a ski patrol on the North Island of New Zealand. Lynn has left the Tufts Music Library to become a carpenter in New Hampshire. Carl '83 spent the summer in Costa Rica doing a study-research project towards his master's at Duke. Frederick is a junior and a three-year starter on the Syracuse soccer team. ...**Clemie Wininger Gregory** has a daughter, Ruth, graduating from high school this year and a son who is a junior at Wesleyan in Connecticut. The Gregorys have no plans for retirement. ...Since selling my business in September and leaving the accounting profession at the end of the year, I have started dabbling in various projects. The most interesting is The Accounting Game, a day-long seminar which teaches in a fun way the basics of accounting up to and including the understanding of balance sheets, income statements, and cash flow statements. It has been around for about eight years, but only now are the owners attempting to take it nation wide. **Roger May** sent one of his *Wall Street Journal* colleagues to a seminar in New York recently and we're hoping for a write up. My second project, which is just getting under way, is the building of a spec house with my brother, Bill. I'm a rookie in this area but Bill has built many such houses on the Cape and in the Woodstock area. And finally, I am going to start work on a part-time basis with a local real estate/business brokering firm. I'll be concentrating in the business sales area because that's where my experience lies after 29 years as a CPA in public practice. I'm looking forward to writing the next column which will be full of Reunion news.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. John J. Rudd (Elaine Smith), 1035 Walden Blvd. S.E., Palm Bay, FL 32909, and Christo-*

pher Van Curan, 1 Standley St., Beverly, MA 01915.

Although you won't be reading these notes until summer, it is mid-February as I (**Elaine Smith Rudd**) write them. I can tell it's winter because my yard is full of robins and my house is full of snow birds. Tourist season is in full swing in Florida. Come on down! ...In January I had a brief visit from **Sally Green Risberg** who was visiting her parents. For reasons of expediency we met at Palm Bay's exciting new McDonald's. I hadn't seen her since our 25th Reunion and it was fun getting caught up. Sally had just returned from a sojourn in Scotland where she lived in a home which looked close to being a castle (she had photos). I hope she will send details of her trip. ...Just this week I had a visit from John and **Judy McAvity MacDonald** (no connection with above-referenced eatery) who were fleeing from Maine to Florida, allegedly on a business trip. However, I'm afraid that Judy thinks Florida's sobriquet—*the Sunshine State*— is a clear case of false advertising. After slogging through Disney World in a driving rain, Judy and John retreated to my house where we did have a little sun. Their last visit coincided with the much-publicized Christmas freeze of a few years ago (which was damaging to tourists as well as to citrus). However, we had an enjoyable visit in spite of the weather. Judy is still a part-time programmer at L.L. Bean. Like me, working—but not too hard. ...I spoke to co-secretary **Chris Van Curan** who reports that the new position he wrote about last quarter is keeping him very busy. ...The Alumni Office informs me that some of our classmates have been seen at various alumni functions around the country. **Nick Miller** and **Lambert Welling** attended the Alumni Leadership weekend at Middlebury in September. **Tom Beers, Don Fredrickson, Bob Gleason**, and **Arne Heggen** put in appearances at the 1987 Homecoming weekend in October. **Cecily Mattocks Marshall** and **Lambert Welling** were at Parents weekends, also in October. **Bill Joyce** went to a presidential lunch in Minneapolis; **Peggy Cooper Heald** was in New York for a donor dinner; and **Lambert Welling**, who should get an award as most active alum, also found time to go to Boston's class agent lunch and holiday party last December.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Alton H. Bassett (Joan Tolley), 73 Harriet Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540, and John H. Denny, Sr., 44 Nassau St., Suite 301, Princeton, NJ 08540.*

We had a great response to our Holiday Letter! ...**Bob Beattie** and World Wide Ski Corporation produced a 14-week series on ESPN called *Ski, World*. Bob is busy running NASTAR, which is now in 154 ski areas. He hopped around a bit last winter for ABC and ESPN, covering World Cup ski races and the Olympics. ...**Gus Bramante** can't wait for daughter Trish '81 and son John '85 to finish law school and medical school. He and Eleanor have three grandsons, thanks to Andy (Dartmouth '81). Gus reports that a new ski lift at The Westin in Vail was dedicated to **Les Streeter** and his son, Jake. ...**John Briggs** has been staff vice president of auditing for McDonnell Douglas since October 1985. He spends alternate weeks at offices in southern California and St. Louis, but his residence remains in warm and sunny Brea, Calif. ...Last year **Bruce** and **Sue Heyer Byers** bought a house on North Bingham Street in Cornwall, as an excuse to visit Middlebury after Christopher's graduation in 1986. When not welcoming visitors to their Vermont home, Bruce practices law and Sue is still involved with the New Jersey Child Placement Review. Their daughter, Anne, was married in April 1987. Christopher, who plans to go to law school, has an interim job with a San Francisco law firm (thanks to **George Limbach**). ...Lois and **Ted Cameron** spent 19 days in Scotland and England visiting their daughter, Linda (Wells '88), who was doing her junior year abroad at St. Andrew's University. They traveled to the Cameron of Lochiel's estate in the highlands and south to Canterbury, England. Ed is vice president and treasurer of his own lumber company. He remains very active in many organizations, but says he has fewer responsibilities. ...**Dave Corey** is in his 28th year at the Experiment in International Living, but he tells us, "There's light at the end of the tunnel." Sharon is a senior at Midd and Peggy is a senior at Castleton. Dave is conveniently located at Vermont's southeast entrance (Brattleboro), and says, "Stop by." ...**Caroline May Darrell** was widowed in 1981 and married again in 1986. She and Warren are living in a "beautiful farmhouse located on Lake Pleasant" in Maine (P.O. Box 335, Casco, ME 04015). Caroline is a teacher at the Lake Region High School in Naples, Maine. ...In January, **Junie Stringer DeCoster** was an "artist-in-residence" at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn., giving shows, lectures, and critiques. She says the three days a week suited her nicely. ...Last June, **Ann Towle Dolbashian** "made an unforgettable pilgrimage to Israel," traveling 1,000 miles in two weeks. Back in Portsmouth, R.I., Ann has a busy life leading software librarians at Raytheon, playing the organ at St. Mary's Church, and attending meetings of the Bank of Newport. Son David made the National Honor Society and will be off to college. Felice earned a master's in higher education administration from Rhode Island College.

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...**Lois Matthews Engleman**'s oldest daughter, Karen '83, is in her second year at Drew Seminary. She is studying for the Methodist ministry and was named to *Who's Who*. Number two daughter, Susan, is a nutrition counselor. Linda is graduating from the University of New Hampshire and David from high school. Lois teaches in a learning disabilities program, does private tutoring, and sells real estate. ...**John Fassnacht** is still territory manager/product manager with DuPont Company intermediates marketing division in Lake Forest, Ill. John and Abbie had an 8-day tour in Russia last November. John claims it was "Great time, with Glasnost," since they could travel around Moscow and Leningrad on their own. ...In East Aurora, N.Y., **Mary Ewing Flickinger** has been involved with the Chautauqua-Russian exchange visits and "found them immensely interesting." ...**Marcie Garcia** is an active alumni admissions chairperson in Tampa, Fla. Son Michael '84 graduated from the University of Rochester Medical School in May. Marcie is vice president and general manager of Agromex, Inc., a small international chemical company in Mobile, Ala., but he's keeping Middlebury on his travel program. His youngest daughter, Sara, has been accepted to the Class of '92 and he has bought land near the College on the Hill. ...**Scotty MacGregor Gillette** works half time as administrative aide to the mayor of Minneapolis. She's trying to develop high quality early childhood programs for "at risk" children. Her own offspring are "doing their best to keep tuition bills high. As one goes off the dole, another goes back to graduate school." In March, Scotty and Peter hiked the Milford Track in New Zealand and went scuba diving on the Great Barrier Reef. ...**Bill Gussman** recently completed four years as director of the Department of State's Office of Strategic Technology Affairs. While in that position, he personally negotiated the Missile Technology Control Regime, announced by the President on April 16, 1987. This Regime, which was concluded among the governments of the United States, Canada, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, Japan, and the United Kingdom, is designed to limit the proliferation of nuclear-capable missiles throughout the world. Bill received the Distinguished Honor Award from the Secretary of State for his achievement. ...**Jane Cartmell Hartsuff** (19615 Trail Ridge Drive, Sun City West, AZ 85375) has been selling homes for Del E. Webb Sun City West for the past four years. ...Last fall, **Spike Heminway** took a "really spectacular" golf trip through Scotland and Ireland. He played 13 rounds on 10 courses in 9 days. He claims he has to be in top form so he can "bring **John Denny** to his knees again." ...Another golfer, **Ed Janeway**, took on Class Secretary Denny for the coveted "Adirondack Cup" golf match at St. Huberts resort in the summer of '87. The club pro played along, and both men inspired him to "great heights, but not enough to overcome the Master." Ed's daughter, Annie '90, keeps the Janeways in close touch with the College, old friends, and classmates at various parents' gatherings. ...In May '87, **Kathe Quarck Henry** won the National Hardcourt Tennis Doubles Championship for the 50 and over division in La Jolla, Calif. ...**Harvey Kaplan**'s daughter, Annette, was married July 27, 1987. He's delighted that the newlyweds are living nearby. Daughter Jennifer has returned from California and is preparing for law school. The two older boys, Charles and Harvey, are adjusting to life in Atlanta, Ga. Harvey likes being a social worker for several high schools in the Bronx. ...**Alden (Alli) Lank** was appointed director of studies (faculty chairman) and member of the executive committee of the International Management Institute, which Alli says is the oldest international management school in the world. He's also on the boards of the Tallberg Foundation (Sweden), Universal Watch S.A., the ASC Language School (Switzerland), and also Volvo (Suisse). Daughter Heather '83 passed her Ph.D. orals in sociology at the University of Toronto, and will write her dissertation in Geneva while her husband studies for his MBA at the International Management Institute. ...Now that his children are out of school, **Ev MacAskill**'s life revolves around piloting his 27-foot Orion sailboat *Last Resort* out of Channel Islands Harbor in Oxnard, Calif. He's threatening to retire soon to spend more time on the water. Ev keeps in touch with **Wally Crump** who is a marine supplies distributor in the San Francisco area. Wally comes highly recommended to anyone with a boat on the West Coast! ...**Electra Bostwick McDowell** volunteers as a public school English tutor in New York City, but spends lots of time in Vermont helping at the Shelburne Museum. The museum is taking a folk art show around the country and Electra says it's wonderful. Look for the show in your area: Ft. Worth (May 7 - September 14, 1988), Denver (October 15, 1988 - January 1, 1989), Los Angeles (February 5 - April 30, 1989), Hartford (June 4 - September 3, 1989), New York City (October 10, 1989 - January 1990), and Worcester (June - August 1990). ...**Ned Merrill** reports that the "big event" of '87 was his marriage to Rachel Dionne on October 10—an occasion he doesn't "expect to repeat too many more times." Aside from that excitement, living on Fish House Cove, West Point, Maine, has its challenges, but they're "certainly enjoying the beauty." ...**Denis** and **Ann Singleton Pfeifler** are retired to country life. They spend three months a year traveling in their motor home and have two grandchildren. ...After seven years, **Frank Punderson** will no longer be watching his daughters play soccer at Middlebury. Frank and Linda had such a good time skiing with Midd alums in Vervier that they did an encore in Austria early in '88. They live in Landgrove, Vt., and "would love to see anyone coming through." ...**Louis Rosen** has a new address: 152 Coventry Place, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418. ...**Carol Hawkins Rowe** is enjoying Boston and summers with Wally in Essex, Mass. Their son, Waddy, is married and teaching at Pomfret School, Conn. Marshall is also married and working for Chattanooga. Heidi heads up the admissions section of the National Association of Independent Schools in Boston. Carol is out of teaching and working for H&R Block. She and Wally are doing a little traveling, some sailing, and skiing. ...Since our earlier report about **Earl Samson**'s new winery, he's listing his address as South of Commons Road, Little Compton, RI 02837. Earl says that Sakonnet Vineyards is the largest winery in New England, with distribution in Rhode Island and eastern Massachusetts. He and Susan plan to expand the business to Connecticut and "of course, Vermont," and invites everyone to "come visit and taste some wine." ...**David Stone** is a partner in Stone & Michaud Insurance (Manchester, N.H.), working primarily with employee benefits. He's also in real estate, developing office complexes and residential properties. ...**Win Tremaine** still lives in Pittsburgh, Pa., working for USX Corporation in Resource Management. Wife Helene (Bucknell '63) is a docent at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History. ...**Henry Van Vleck** is very proud of his daughter, Valerie '90, who played "B" team tennis for two years. Valerie has completed her second year of diving and, in the spring of '87, she placed 17th in the New Englands. Henry is another Middlebury parent who enjoys returning to see the changes and familiar faces (**Ed Janeway, Phil Norcross, Shirley Folsom Loedel**, Charlie Palmer '57, **Tom Lamson**, and Mark Benz '56). ...**Dick Wollmar** is retired from flying as a captain for Delta and is pursuing a full-time career in farming and teaching. On the off season, he and **Mary Lou King Wollmar** will spend time traveling. ...Bob and **Malinda Collison Wolter** (83 Kings Highway North, Westport, CT 06880) celebrated their second wedding anniversary. She's temporarily out of real estate sales and into a project for Bob's firm, involving cotton linter pulp from the People's Republic of China. Malinda's eldest daughter has completed London Drama School and is working toward her Equity Card. Her middle daughter is at Warwick University reading drama. Amanda, who came to our 30th Reunion, has finished her freshman year at Dickinson in Pennsylvania. She couldn't be persuaded to attend college in "the frozen north!" ...**Nancy Heiland Worthington**'s family is rapidly expanding. Three weddings in '87 and '88 kept Nancy and Dick '53 hopping from Boston to San Antonio to San Francisco. Their youngest, Eric, is "very much a student at Humboldt in California." Nancy made a career change in the spring. She retired from teaching to the world of volunteers. ...**Rip Young** doesn't have much to say about himself. He's too busy handing out cigars celebrating his grandchildren! Matthew Young was born in August '85 to Mark and Michelle Young; Jennifer Low met her parents, Jim and Cindy Young Low, in December '87.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Julia A. King, RR 2, Box 99C, Peterborough, NH 03458, and Edward P. MacDowell, 29 Nimitz Place, Old Greenwich, CT 06870.*

Winter's thaw brought more welcome mail from you. ...**Jane Affleck** has taken up tax preparation, in addition to teaching at the Punahou School, but still finds time to play as much tennis and golf as she can. ...In 1987, **Bern Bouvier** returned to selling, his first love, from an administrative position. His four sons are now in college and graduate school, "working on Ph.D.'s, master's, paralegal programs, and such." ...**Rosamond Mueller Dauer** has returned to the lakes, streams, and woods of New London, N.H., where she used to teach and still has many friends. Ros was working on a long fiction project at the time she moved. Her new address is P.O. Box 1665, New London, NH 03257. ...**John Hammond**, too, has moved, returning to the Northeast from Denver to beocme an airport manager for Continental at Logan Airport in Boston. His address if 1542 Lynnway, #412, Lynn, MA 01901. ...**Ron Lawson** has been reassigned to West Germany where he is serving as the Berlin Brigade Priest at the American Community Chapel. His new address is Berlin Brigade Chapel, A.P.O. New York, NY 09742. ...**Phil Montgomery** writes that he is enjoying, more than ever, his career change from stockbroker to banker. ...**Margo Proper Powell** helps husband John with estate planning as part-time bookkeeper and also serves as a volunteer at the ASU Art Collections. The Powell's son, Wally, is a commercial loan officer; daughter Maggie is a department store divisional sales manager. Their youngest son, Donald, is completing an engineering degree at NAU. ...**Caroline Clark Stewart** has taken up the challenge of caring for an elderly lady in the early stages of Alzheimer's, which has inspired her to do some research "Middlebury style" on the disease. ...**George Tasse** acquired another

plumbing and heating company in 1986 and complains of having been too busy to fly his Comanche 400 very much. George has become a grandfather, thanks to daughter Leigh. ...Several classmates have sought new settings, close to home or far afield. **Lynne Atherton** has traveled in unusual style, cargo-planing to Honduras with goats and heifers for Heifer Project International, and visiting recipient families. As a result of her activities with HPI, Lynne has been featured in newspaper articles and in radio and television interviews, and was presented to the Episcopal House of Bishops. ... Paul and **Lucy Boyd Littlefield** were off to Australia and New Zealand last winter. Both are enjoying retirement, which allows time for travel, golf, and personal projects. ...**Charles** and Heather Hamilton '57 **Robinson** moved a year ago into the new home they built in Sharon, N.H., "with all the excitement and mud that goes with such an adventure." Finally, Charlie says, he has suitable space for his consulting business and can use the dining room table for eating meals. He enjoys working at home. ...Honors go to **Charlotte Duryea Brophy** whose volunteer program, "How to Succeed at Solo Living," won her a citation from the Rhode Island Department of Health and Human Services, the President's Award for New Programs from the New England Association of Directors of Hospital Volunteer Services, and the Hospital Award for Volunteer Excellence from the American Health Association in 1986. ...Our children, too, are moving on. **Bob Keating** reports "kids extricating themselves (slowly) from the nest. Life still great in the north country." Bob and Judy are still operating their resort. He has a limited law practice, but finds Loon Mountain, of which he is chairman, taking more and more of his time. ...**Mary Anne Thorne Lewis** also reports an empty nest—one daughter married with a "delightful" granddaughter, and the other in college. Mary Anne's husband recently retired from teaching. She continues to work in her home studio as a fiber artist. ...News of **George Ratte**'s four children: Christine, an Assumption College graduate has two children; Joe, who graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, is working for GE; Kathy graduated from St. Anselm's last year; and Mike, a junior at Tufts, spent a semester studying engineering in Sussex, England. George works for State Mutual in Worcester, Mass. ...**Hugh Van Zelm** was looking forward to daughter Antoinette's graduation from Middlebury in June.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Wayne G. Reilly (Pam Clark), 1339 Biscayne*

How does she spell relief? H-E-I-F-E-R

A way to end world hunger? "Baa humbug," says Lynne Atherton '56, the Chicago area representative of Heifer Project International. The non-profit organization sends sheep (hence the "baa"), hives of bees (containing "humbugs"), cows, pigs, chickens, and rabbits to starving people all over the world.

The Heifer Project traces its genesis back to the late 1930s, after the Spanish Civil War, when it occurred to an Indiana farmer and relief worker that giving a live animal instead of powdered milk packets would insure that the people had milk for years to come. Atherton first heard of it about 15 years ago, when she received a Heifer Project International greeting card with information on the back.

"The thing that caught my eye and attention," she says, "was the passing on of the gift." While many relief organizations just give handouts, Atherton explains, HPI is unique in its stipulation that the recipients give the first-born female animal to another needy group. HPI also requires training in the care and management of animals. Hence the gift is not a charity, but a longterm responsibility project that breeds pride and self-reliance. Still impressed by that policy, Atherton and her daughter gave a birthday party for their St. Bernard, Augustinian, a few years ago, and instead of gifts for Augie, Atherton requested that guests make donations to HPI. She raised $343.

In June of 1986, Atherton was hired by HPI to raise money on a much larger scale—as the Arkansas-based organization's Chicago area representative. Although HPI has provided over 90,000 animals, 5,000 bee hives, and over a million fowl to people around the world, in the Chicago area the organization is relatively unknown. Atherton has heard it called the "sleeping giant" because of its potential and still untapped resources.

Last April Atherton saw with her own eyes the encouraging results of her organization's efforts when she flew by cargo plane to Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Her traveling companions were 20 goats and 5 heifers. "My going to Honduras was part of my training, if you will," she explains. "That isn't really part of my job."

Her real job is organizing events like this summer's "Grazing On the Grounds III," the third annual HPI "benefit feedback picnic" at Ravinia Park, which is the summer home of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Says Atherton, "It's a fundraiser and a consciousness-raiser," and she expects this third outing to be the biggest ever.

Looking toward the future, Atherton is also working on "alternative Christmas markets," which means that somebody "buys" a Heifer Project animal as a Christmas present for somebody else. Atherton gives an example: "I would pay $25 to Heifer Project, and you would receive a lovely card that would say, 'In your honor, the gift of a hive of bees has been purchased for a needy family.'" An animal is the perfect gift for someone who has everything, says Atherton: "People are eager for alternatives to the sort of commercial surfeit that we've gotten ourselves into as a culture." (For more information about HPI, the toll-free number is 1-800-422-0474.)

Atherton, who has done everything from teaching English as a foreign language to being secretary of Dartmouth College's Art Department, is now widowed, and she feels that she has found her calling. "It really does seem as if a lot of divergent fluttering strings of my past three decades have surprisingly tied themselves into a bow in this job," she says. "I do love animals. I care about the human race. I enjoy public speaking and the various elements that are involved." Her frequent educational presentations, fund-raising projects, and perhaps future trips to poor areas in the United States and abroad will keep Atherton busy. And happy. "It's very demanding—or I'm demanding upon myself—but there's so much to be done, and I feel that it's making the world a better place," she says. "And that matters to me, *a lot.*"—*Leslie Virostek '88*

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Pete Webber has been named chairman of the board of directors of the Sugarloaf Mountain Corporation. His plans as chairman include seeing to it that the area continues to grow as a year-round resort, supporting the management in bringing more good people to work at the area, and investing himself in managing all aspects of the resort. ...**Lee Hall Albern** represented Middlebury at the recent inauguration of Russel C. Jones as president of the University of Delaware. It appears to have been a family affair as her husband, Bob, represented Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. ...We learned from **Jane Ross Ludington** that she and Towny are the proud parents of an All American high school soccer player. Sarah is a senior at Andover. Congratulations to all on a wonderful accomplishment. We expect to be hearing about Sarah in the years to come. Jane also reports that **Pat Miller Reed** married James Nolan III in May of 1987. Obviously this is another event that warrants congratulations. ...**Xanie Post Koontz** has moved east temporarily to be closer to her parents as they prepare to move into a retirement community this spring. Xanie will return to Kansas City in early June. ...**Gail Bliss Allen** took a wonderful 11-day vacation in Mexico over the Christmas vacation. The trip was a particular treat because Gail had just finished some difficult oral surgery. ...**Kathy Platt Potier** will continue to travel and study during the second half of her split teaching sabbatical this spring. Kathy reports, "The sabbatical has worked well the magic of rejuvenation. It's made me appreciate the pluses of teaching and renewed my energy and enthusiasm in a job that can so easily drain us of optimism and commitment. I certainly value being in a profession which encourages me to stay alive as a learner." ...Several members of the Class of '57 were active in alumni events this fall. **Frankie Hall** completes her term as president of the Alumni Association this spring. We are told that the class was also well represented at Homecoming by **Adrienne Littlewood Delaney, Frankie Hall, Joyce Contente O'Donnell, Joan Grenier Ostrow, Tim Wallace**, and, of course, **Hugh Marlow**. In addition, **Cathy Rock Fallon, Pat Judah Palmer**, and **Fred Van Vranken** attended the donor dinner in New York City. On the more active side, we learned that **Murray** and **Julie French Campbell** attended the alumni ski weekend at Midd last winter. ...Finally, Wayne had a nice talk with a woman on **George Joseph**'s answering service. George is practicing medicine in Easton, Pa., and apparently all is going well. Don't worry, George, we will get you next time. ...As always we want to hear from the members of the Class of '57. Please let us know what you are up to. THINK '92.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Craig B. Heatley (Adrienne McLeod), 385 Green Farms Road, Westport, CT 06880, and Erik O. Bennorth, 49 Van Blarcom Lane, Wyckoff, NJ 07481.*

Deborah West Zipf writes that she and **Linda Durfee Dean** (now a grandmother) get together in NYC these days and, one surmises, they occasionally talk politics. ...**Bill** and **Susan Webb Porter** checked out the Middlebury campus last summer and lunched at the Inn. ...**Mim Packard Brown** writes that her three daughters are through school, giving her yet another excuse to travel. ...**Penelope Groll Kim**, who served as the Northampton, Mass., economic development coordinator, was named director of the city's office of planning and development in December. ...The Class of '58 is represented at Middlebury by 18 offspring: **Robert Batal**'s Kate '91, **Lang Bell**'s Steven '90, **Peter Bonner**'s Matthew '91, **Mary Stein Dominick**'s Dewitt '91, **Marilyn Coutant Evans**'s Duncan '91, **Lucile Carpenter Freeman**'s Rachel '89, **Bruce Herlitz**'s Kristofer '89, **Robert Katz**'s Daniel '89, **Judith Lawton Kayle**'s Jennifer '91, **David Krugman**'s Andrew '90, **Lyndia Smith Lamson**'s Charles '89, **Edward Lavery**'s Edward '88, **Carolyn Mears Long**'s Stephen '90, **Joseph McDonough**'s Timothy '91, **Richard Millham**'s Mary Helen '88, **Milt** and **Carolyn Skyllberg Peterson**'s Steve '88, **Charles Rice**'s Joan '88, and Theodore Smith IV '90, son of the late **Ted Smith**. ...Your new class secretaries will give all the news that's fit to print from the class reunion in the next issue.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Frederic B. Preston (Granthia Lavery), 123 Hampshire Road, Wellesley, MA 02181, and Robert E. Luce, 90 Winthrop Drive, Riverside, CT 06878.*

A correction to the winter 1988 column: The name of Cassie Hartmann '90, daughter of **Anne Martin Hartmann**, was omitted from the list of classmates' children currently studying at Middlebury. Our apologies to Cassie and to Anne. ...As the 1987 recipients of the Outstanding Class Secretary Award, we want to say thanks to each of you who provided us with data. The citation with the award read, "presented on behalf of the Alumni Association to secretaries whose exemplary work has resulted in keeping their class in closer touch with the College." A lovely slate pen holder with a Midd symbol is on each of our desks, a nice reminder of the College and also of each of you. Please continue to keep us informed so that we, in turn, can perform in a manner worthy of this nice recognition. ...Our 30th Reunion is just around the corner. We need your help to plan June 2-4, 1989. Drop us a line with suggestions on how you want to celebrate the occasion. ...The variety of talents among our classmates is amazing! '59ers' talents and influences have spread far in 29 short years. From Atlanta, Ga., a newspaper reports that **Stanlee (Lee) Lonsdale Schaffer** "has devoted many hours of her 25 years in this city to nurturing figure skating in Atlanta." A United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA) judge since 1967 at competitions throughout the United States, has served the Atlanta Figure Skating Club as officer and director, and she designed the club logo. she has served on USFSA standing committees, on the faculties of four local judges schools, and on the steering committee for the 1980 United States Figure Skating Championships in Atlanta. But, the article says, "Lee...is happiest when being a friend to young skaters." Lee adds that "figure skating, called 'artistic skating' in Europe, is a combination of exercise and the mastery of physical skills with artistic expression and musical interpretation...and is often recommended as a therapeutic activity." ...From New York City, **Martha Gerhart** writes, "My free lance opera-pianist-coaching life now includes some opera translation projects. Recently I accompanied Erie Mills in a recital in Champaign, Ill. Mills made his debut at the Metropolitan Opera on Thanksgiving night." Martha was in Sarasota, Fla., in January and February, working with the Sarasota Opera. Through her professional connections she met Tom DeWolfe '60 who is associate producer of the Off-Broadway show, "Oil City Symphony." ...**Susan Miner Smith** writes, "We are in Washington, D.C., but plan to leave for Uganda, East Africa, when son Amos graduates from high school this June. Our daughter is in Mexico for her junior year from the University of Connecticut. I worked with the homeless in Washington and did other volunteer jobs until a bad fall injured my back. Hope to work in primary health care in Africa when my back is better." ...We hear that **Nancy McKnight Smith** traveled to Japan on a professional educators' trip and had a wonderful experience. How about some details, Nancy? ...Remember October 19, 1987? **Dave Collin** does. He's an institutional equity trader for Eberstadt Fleming in New York and says he "survived Black Monday and the ensuing week!" Hope the rest of us can say the same. ...**Tony Garcia** started Navitech, Inc., in October 1981 and has now permanently located it in South Glens Falls, N.Y. He and wife Jane Collins Garcia '60 have rented their Larchmont, N.Y., home of 20 years and moved into their "cabin in the woods" built by Tony's grandfather in 1937, to be close to the business. New address: P.O. Box 1235, South Glens Fall, NY 12803. ...Dr. **Dave Pritchard** is a gerontologist in San Diego, serves as an associate professor in the School of Social Work at San Diego State University, and is the director of the Council of International Programs, an international exchange program of social workers. Wife Eve Zwanziger Pritchard (French '60) teaches French/ESL in San Diego High School. Daughter Colette is an ABC-TV news reporter in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; son Daniel is a musician; and daughter Audrey is Middlebury '90, which brought Dave back to the campus for Parents Weekend in October 1987. ...Other members of the class have attended various Middlebury-related functions around the country: **Dick Thomas** in Washington, D.C., for a September '87 reception and lecture on "Reagan and the Russians;" **Sally Newell Maider** attended an alumni gathering in Seattle, Wash.; **John Halpin, Granthia Lavery Preston**, and **Frank Nolde** at the October '87 Parents Weekend; **John Bedell** and **Dorrie Landry Bonner** at October '87 Homecoming; **Bob Hansen** and **Bob Luce** at the October '87 donor dinner in New York; **Bob Luce** and **Granthia Lavery Preston** attended the Alumni Leadership Weekend in September '87 in Middlebury; and **Bob Luce** and **Paul Wise** enjoyed the great skiing at the expanded Snow Bowl during the Alumni Winter Weekend in January '88. ...Only two more editions of class notes before 30th Reunion! Think Middlebury for Spring '89, and meanwhile please plan to join other '59ers for a mini-reunion at Homecoming, October 21-23, 1988. We will be housed together at Bread Loaf if you respond promptly.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald J. Mulvey (Nancy Mumford), 104 High Plain Road, Andover, MA 01810, and Dr. Michael J. Robinson, 153 Powers Road, Sudbury, MA 01776.*

It's feast or famine for your secretaries, and this time we've been able to indulge our gluttony for the news. ...No sooner had we sent the class "bootie prize" off to **Rick Ayer** than a successful challenger emerged. **Don Chaffee** announces the birth of Meryl Linda on September 27, 1987. Don and wife Linda also have two sons who were both under five when Meryl arrived. The class extends congratulations along with a special edition of "Candyland" for having the youngest family as well! ...**Emily Adams** also reports additions to her Champlain household: two kittens named Flotsam and Jetsam.

Since they have joined a corgi and two older felines, the antics must be a never-ending source of amusement. ...Lots of classmates on the move lately, including **Bruce** and **Eugenia Cannon Burnham** who have relocated to 425 Tavern Circle, Atlanta, GA 30350. Bruce left Cox Enterprises after 12 years to form his own media brokerage firm, brokering sales of TV, radio, and cable properties. ...**Jim Coward** also has a new job as professor of chemistry and professor of medicinal chemistry at the University of Michigan. His new address is 6 Haverhill Court, Ann Arbor, MI 48105. Jim adds, "Great university and a nice town—but pretty flat out here. Will have to head east or west for skiing from our new base." ...In a university setting amid the palm trees is **G. Robert Cain**, who became director and chaplain of the Episcopal University Center at the University of South Florida in Tampa last October. Only 30 years old, U.S.F. is the third largest campus in the state with 29,600 students; by the year 2000 its enrollment will reach 50,000. (Wow, and we thought Florida was all retirees.) Bob's new address is 11013 Cinderland Place, Temple Terrace, FL 33617. ...Longtime suburbanites Tony '59 and **Jane Collins Garcia** have found happiness in a cabin in the woods built by Tony's grandfather in 1937. (Address P.O. Box 1235, South Glens Falls, NY 12803.) Their move results from the relocation of Tony's company, Navitech, Inc., which he founded in 1981, to a permanent site in S. Glens Falls. We hope you continue to enjoy what sounds like a complete change of pace, as well as of place, from Larchmont. ...Another opening, another show for **J. Pindyck Miller**, whose sculpture was exhibited at the Maxwell Davidson Gallery in Soho, New York City, in the spring. John has been the museum preparator for the Vassar College Art Gallery since 1982, responsible for the care of the college's 9,000 works, as well as installations at the gallery. His own mammoth metal configuration, "Sundance," was on display there in late '87. His wife, **Lynne Ewing Miller**, is finishing her third year of residency in internal medicine at Danbury Hospital, Conn. ...**Judith Neese Woods** is still teaching reading in middle school in Albuquerque and enjoying the vacations as well. She and husband Bob occasionally travel to San Diego for day sailing with friends. In June '87, Judy and family attended Bob's 25th reunion at Princeton, where she had a short visit with **Jean Stratton** and **Barb Doubleday.** ...Still working for IBM and still playing tennis is **Jean Seeler**, who has been enjoying both travel and tennis lately. In the spring of '87, Jean took a cruise on the Danube River from Russe, Bulgaria, through Yugoslavia, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia, ending in Vienna. Jean reports that the dining room food was not as good as Midd food in 1960; cucumbers were the only fresh vegetable! In January Jean was off on a tennis cruise in the Caribbean, with court time on a number of the islands. ...Another inveterate traveler **Susan Long Brock** enjoyed a fantastic trip to Alaska last summer. Highlights were two days on the Arctic Ocean in Barrow and Prudhoe Bay, and an exciting flight around, up to, and almost into, Mt. McKinley in a single-engine, 4-seat bush plane! ...From Down Under, **Sally Porter Hoedemaker**, whom we share with the Class of '61, writes: "After two years in Karratha (northwestern Western Australia) for phase one of the NW Shelf Gas Development project, followed by two delightful years in Perth, we have been back in Karratha since January '87. Here I've renewed my hobby of shelling, and have added rockhunting/prospecting, and our love affair with Australia continues. One son, a junior at Hale School in Perth, and one a freshman at UC/Santa Barbara keep us tuned into the 'outside' world. We still own a house in Manchester, Mass., and will have to sort out where 'home' really is in the not-too-distant future." ...Our thanks to *The Wall Street Journal* for the following tale: At Outward Bound's 25th anniversary and fund-raising celebration in New York a day after the stock market's October 19 plunge, dinner chairman **Reuben Mark** compared Outward Bound to Wall Street. "People are rappelling" on Wall Street, he explained. "But they just aren't using ropes." Then he auctioned a nearly-6-foot stuffed bear which fetched about $6,500. "You can tell your granchidlren that you bought it the week Wall Street did whatever it did," he said to an audience filled with corporate executives. Reuben, chairman and CEO of Colgate-Palmolive, said the money could finance a new Outward Bound course, "Surviving Wall Street," to teach the skills of "controlled falls, shelter construction, and peak descents." ...Congratulations to **Robert Ingram** who was appointed manager of the Brattleboro district office of the Department of Employment and Training. Bob's new responsibilities result from a merger of the job service, which he formerly headed, and unemployment compensation offices of the department. Bob is a member of several education and training boards and councils in southeastern Vermont. ...Congrats also to **Douglas Philipsen** who was named president and CEO of Guaranty Bank and Trust Company and Consumers Savings Bank in October. These two banks will merge during 1988 and become Bank of New England-Worcester. Doug's extensive banking experience includes the presidency of Berkshire Bank & Trust Company in Pittsfield since 1983, following 11 years as a senior manager with Essexbank. ...Keep the news coming and plan your next vacation from tips in class notes. Renew friendships. Visit classmates around the world!

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Jo Aagerstoun, 1716 U St. N.W., Washington, DC 20009, and William F. Wallace III, 5403 Braxtonshire Court, Houston, TX 77069.*

A great start for a great '88 for the great Class of '61: An unprecedented response from classmates in December and January, considerably enhancing the morale of your class secretaries! Let's start with the new addresses. **Alice Griggs Wood** can now be found at 17 Barton St., Somerville, MA 02144. (Are you sure there is *no other news*, Alice?) ...**Anne Fisher Ellwood** is still in Utah, but her new address is 1627 North Woodland Drive, Provo, UT 84604. Anne and **Alex** were divorced 12 years ago, when he remarried. Their offspring include Ruth (26), Alex (23), and Sean (20). Ruth and Alex have already made Anne a grandmother several times over (oldest grandchild is 7). Anne, who works full time at the local hospital, is a prized and honored veteran ER nurse of ten years. She also teaches and consults in her specialty. A grueling bout with surgery and complications in late '87 put her out of commission for a few months, but she's confident spring and summer '88 will find her exploring the Utah outdoors in her converted van. ...**Sophie Healy** is back in Vermont (Box 528, North Bennington, VT 05257; 802-447-0079). Sophie is "working on a novel about a Polish American speculator and his lovely Mexican-American wife." Sophie and Mary Twichell are planning to start a concrete bird bath business in '88—get your orders in! ...**Tee Newsom** says his new house at 130 Westover Road in Stamford, CT 06902 has "plenty of room for guests." He sends "best wishes for health and happiness to all members of the Great Class of '61!" ...**Sue Brooks Franklin** has moved to 89-6 Staniford St., Newton, MA 02166, and to a new job as a pediatric neurology nurse practitioner at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester. ...In the Must-Be-Nice category, **Sandy Anderson Bolton** reports "Fabulous skiing in Winter Park mid-December through Mid-January" at which time Sandy "had to" leave the mountains to take son Andy to the Bahamas where he got on the boat for Semester at Sea. She dropped in at home in Littleton, Colo., just long enough to get her briefcase together for a business trip to the Phoenix Gift Show from which she went on for More Skiing with the '61 Midd Kids' Second Annual Ski Week in Sun Valley, followed by the Denver Gift Show, and a vacation, and back to Winter Park for the last two weeks in March. ...**Lee Kaufman** had to pass on the Sun Valley Ski Week this year, but writes that he and daughter Jenni are thrilled that Jenni has been accepted early decision at Midd for next fall. Lee reminds us all that the '89 Austria Ski Week should be a must and to let **Carolyn Bennett Wood** know if you want to go. Lee and wife Mary are "racer chasers," as they try to keep up with three athletic daughters who are following in dad's footsteps (or tracks, as it were) in competition skiing. ...**Zip Vonderahe** reports that first son Henry Daniel, born shortly after our 25th, is "a nice little boy." The entire Vonderahe family are cozy in their recently-restored old farmhouse in Pickaway County, Ohio. Zip says they would "love visitors from the Class of '61." Zip says intrepid **Tee Newsom** helped deliver son Hank and that since Reunion he has also seen **Lee Leonard** at the Ohio State Fair, and renewed contact with **Pete Spalding**. ...All '61 **Frybergers** checked in. **Bobby**'s news was entirely about kids—two daughters (a sophomore at Oregon State in Corvallis, Oregon, and a 9th grader), and a son (junior in high school). **Jerry** and **Carol Nicholson Fryberger**'s news was also kid-focused. As Jerry says, "busy with all the details of children spread all over the countryside," including Jeremy '88, a senior at Midd, one in France for junior year, and a daughter on the cross-country team which placed 5th in the NCAA finals." Jerry and Carol were joining **Peter** and **Judy Johnson Thompson** on campus in May for their Midd legacies' graduation this year. Judy writes that her book, *Tennessee Williams' Plays: Memory, Myth and Symbol*, was published in winter '88 by Peter Lang as part of the University of Kansas Humanistic Series. As many classmates know, Judy has suffered for some years from multiple sclerosis. She reports she had been on leave from her teaching post at KU due to deterioration in her condition, but says "am getting some 'wheels' and plan (hope) to resume teaching in the fall." Judy says Pete is "very busy as dean of the School of Fine Arts at KU." ...**Lois Ryman Lewis** also sends news of offspring in college or about-to-be, and wonders "how it will be with the kids gone." Lois hopes to travel to Great Britain, France, and Australia in the near future and had a great ski sojourn at Brian Head, Utah, just after the holidays. ...Class prez **Dario Quiros** reports serious globe-trotting: Sun Valley with the Midd Kids last February, Switzerland in April, Scotland in June, and Nantucket in August—"all before the crash, thank God!" Dario is experiencing some "middle-age restlessness," and makes enigmatic noises about "thoughts of something new, or a variation on the old theme on the career front. He and Peggy planned to take their boys with them to the Midd Kids Ski Week. ...**Janet Linderoth Bohren** reports a new job as assistant professor, department of curriculum and instruction, University of Cincinnati. Two of her sons are in col-

lege, and one is a junior in high school. ...The Rev. **Bill Reger** has been on a four-month sabbatical leave which included taking a course on progressive evolution at Alumni College. He wonders why he was the only '61er there: "C'mon everyone, it's really great!" Bill also sabbaticalized by taking analytical psychology courses and "beginning work on the definitive book of theology of our time—from a parish preacher's perspective." Bill reports two daughters and one wife are in college, and pleads "Can anyone give us a loan?" ...**Ann Jenkyns Phelps** is director of admissions for the graduate programs in public policy at Syracuse University. She says "life is always unusual when living with a zoo director (long-time companion David Raboy, director of Syracuse's Burnet Park Zoo)." Ann opines that David's animal charges "are generally better behaved than their visitors." Ann's daughter Kristy breezed through high school, graduating a year early at age 16. Kristy is going to slow down a bit and wait to enter college in 1989. ...John and **Hallie MacDonald Stewart** moved to Texas about 18 months ago and finds she still misses the Northeast. Hallie is teaching 3rd grade in Princeton, Texas, where they are "empty-nesters." ...**Judy Hole**, husband Sam Suratt, and stepson Dan traded their Manhattan townhouse last summer with "a lovely Spanish family...and stayed in their summer house on (that is to say practically *in*) the Mediterranean in a small Spanish resort town, Oropesa del Mar, one hour north of Valencia and three hours south of Barcelona." The Suratts also wangled "another free house in the Pyrenees—a perfect trip. We learned to cook a perfect paella and a true tortilla and Sam, who retains all his high school Latin, read the road signs." ...By the time you read this, **Gail Munson Elliott** and family will have relocated to New Mexico from their long-time home in Gig Harbor, Wash. Husband Neal formed a new company, Horizon Healthcare Corporation, in '86 which was listed on the NYSE in May. The office is in Albuquerque, thus the relocation. Gail says daughter Ingrid is yearning for Dartmouth. Gail and the younger Elliott progeny are accomplished equestrians, and Gail is still into tennis. Her fundraising for "Our School" in Gig Harbor, where she was president of the board in '87, resulted in completion of a new one-room classroom building. ...**Kathy Cleary Bonner** has a "new and exciting job" as director of programs for the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, Calif. Kathy says life has been moving "too fast for me to catch up," and ends with a footnote to the green sheet that she was "writing this in a garage as I wait for car repairs!" Attaway to Effective Time Management, Kath! ...**Nancy Peck Moss** checked in from Hawaii with the news that her historical romance, *Island Ecstasy*, is soon to be published under the pseudonym Julia Hastings. She says tennis, "which I used to play with **Sally Gibbs McLaughlin**," is still her chief recreation when not feverishly word processing her latest liberary product. ...**Howie Mettee** started a consulting business four years ago because, as he puts it, he felt it was "time to get the molecules out of the Laboratory!" Howie's proud and relieved the consulting business is still cooking: "A triumph for small businesses in today's come and go world." Howie is still a full-time professor of chemistry, "trying to keep up with an energetic second wife, Jacie, from Summit, N.J.," and supporting a lottery ticket habit and the kids' education." He also wants "another great reunion!" ...An August 25, 1985, clip from the Tahoe *World* brings news of cowboy-playwright classmate **Paul Radin**, who has traveled "from his home at Rampart on the Truckee River to Squaw Valley on his 15-year-old part-Arabian horse Zum Ghalii to attend the Squaw Valley Writers' workshop every summer since 1973." Now that is dedication to one's craft! Paul has been writing narrative diaries about his reconnaissance of the local countryside with his horse and dog, searching for the old Piaute Indian dance ground. Paul's diaries include his reflections on the Truckee River, Squaw Valley, and the Lake Tahoe environment. The 1985 article also refers to a play by Paul, *Cabin Fever*. Paul moved to Rampart from San Francisco in 1973, to work on a play, and stayed. Paul worked for a time with the Julian Theater in San Francisco after several years as a graduate student in philosophy at the University of Michigan. ...Secretary **Bill Wallace** is confident he will soon have information for the class on the use of the Class Reunion Gift. Bill says he couldn't join the Midd Kids in Sun Valley this year because he was busy trying to "sell our company (CSX), which has decided to get out of the oil and gas business." ...Your other class secretary, **Mary Jo Aagerstoun**, planned to work on an exciting project this spring for the City of Washington: organizing a symposium on economic development zones in preparation for a major zone project in the Anacostia area, long one of the most underdeveloped and poverty-stricken areas of the Nation's Capital. MJ's consulting firm has passed the 3-year go-or-no-go mark, and as she puts it, "how do you spell relief? Probably E-N-O-U-G-H C-O-N-T-R-A-C-T-S to get through 2/3 of the year, and enough cashflow to pay the taxes!" One of the most exotic assignments MJ's firm has had was last year's contract to help conceptualize an international trade seminar targeted to women business owners from many countries, tentatively scheduled for sometime 1989 in Thailand. MJ was a featured speaker at the first such event held in Manila, the Philippines, in December 1986. ...**Judy Stern Peskin**'s two oldest kids are at Cornell and Trinity. The Peskins still have an 8th grader at home and, Judy reports, "everybody's happy!" Judy has a different teaching job this year, teaching four classes of French and one of Spanish to 9th graders in Piscataway, N.J., an "ethnically mixed town." She says this new situation is "much better," and that she is constantly reminded "how much pleasanter 9th graders are than 7th graders—especially the boys." The Peskins have spent the last four December holidays in Aspen about which she comments: "Since I started out on Midd's poma lift at age 18, my children are certainly getting a glorified picture of skiing!" Ah Technology! The College recently sent your secretaries a printout of their first attempt to keep electronic track of which alums attends which Midd functions. According to this report, the **Joseph Cusimanos** and **John** and **Frances Blick Westerbeke** were at Parents Weekend last fall. But so was **MJ Aagerstoun** and she did not appear on the report! Were any of the rest of you there? MJ looked for you. This year, how about '61 parents dropping MJ a note or calling her to let her know if you plan to go to Parents Weekend and which weekend so all the '61 alum parents can get together! According to the Midd computer, **Ted Mooney** was the only '61er at Homecoming and at President Robison's lecture on Reagan and the Russians in D.C. in September. We're sure the bugs will be out soon, but in the meantime, at functions you attend be sure to let the College rep know you are '61. Now the rest of you who haven't yet appeared here—Come on! Wasn't it fun to hear about these folks? We all want to hear about you, too, so get the cards and letters in!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Allen L. Bridges (Anne Thornton), HCR 68, Box 44, S. Woodstock Road, Woodstock, VT 05091, and Dr. John F. Sinclair, 482 Woodbury Road, Springfield, VT 05156.*

As you read this in summer you can imagine the beauty of Vermont greenery but, as we meet to write this column at a lovely restaurant in Hartland, Vt. (called Skunk Hollow Tavern), we are being buried in a blizzard that has dropped close to two feet of snow so far. ...**John**, Nancy, and Peter **Sinclair** took in the Alumni Winter Weekend in January and ran into (not literally, of course) several classmates at the Snow Bowl. Class of '62 skiers included **Charlie Tobey,** Ward '60 and **Jan Young Dennis**, Skip '60 and **Kerry Reilly Ingold**, **Lew** and Judy Cooper '64 **Parker**, and Gordie Eaton '65. Gordie and Karen Eaton do a fantastic job of helping to coach the Middlebury Junior Alpine Program. If you enjoy skiing, you really should plan a trip to Middlebury during the winter. The new chairlifts and snowmaking facilities are terrific. ...Classmates who are loyal Killington skiers include **Betsy Barkentin Gardner**, husband Elliott and son Josh, who have a house near the mountain; and Craig and **Jane Thomas Warren**, who made their annual trek here in January. The Warrens' son, Mike is at Rhode Island School of Design; daughter Heidi is studying in Paris for a year before entering Haverford College as a freshman. ...**John Sinclair** had a wonderful hunting trip with **Peter Steinle**—even shot a few birds! Pete and Lynn seem as excited as their son, Peter, that he'll be entering Middlebury this fall. Peter will be the third "second generation" Steinle to brighten the campus. Tom '84 and Susan '87 have already graduated. John gets around: had a day chatting about "old Midd times" with **Spence Jackson**—"even cracked a couple of sixers to bring back the aroma." Spence and Barbara have two boys; the older was valedictorian at Brewster Academy and is now at RPI. Spence is working in the computer business and says he thinks he could teach his old roommate, **Andy Ferrentino**, a few things about computers! "Well into the second sixer we got into a deep discussion about how we might have adapted computer technology to Moose's Esso station." ...**Dick Blodgett**'s *Readers' Digest* article on the subject of strange coincidences resulted in a flurry of radio and television interviews. Dick is writing a book on this topic. It is NO coincidence that Dick was the logical choice to edit the 25th Reunion newspaper. What a terrific job he did! ...**Hilda Wing** writes that she has moved to the Washington, D.C., area (13212 Chopin St., Silver Spring, MD 20904) and is pleased with the move and with her new job working at the National Research Council. ...In addition to her duties at the St. Lawrence University Development Office, **Carrie Kittell** has kept up her interest and talent in dance, choreographing some dances for the musical *Godspell*, a winter term student project that will result in several performances at St. Lawrence. Carrie says she had so much fun at the Reunion she's ready to start planning the 30th now! Her address is Canton Townhouses, #6B, Ike Noble Drive, Canton, NY 13617. ...**Jeanne Yeomans Lamson** reports that her husband, Al '60, loves his new job at the National Wildlife Federation. Daughter Kate is a freshman at the University of West Virginia. ...A delightful *Sunday Berkshire Eagle* (Pittsfield, Mass.) article describes the unusual record business of **Hal March**. After the era in which Toonerville Trolley Records was a "roving store—a van delivering its wares to students and other music lovers in Vermont and western Massachusetts," Hal created a permanent store in Williamstown which stocks

The power of positive thinking

It was 1981, Cecil B.Forster, Jr. '64 says, when the "entrepreneurial bug first bit" him. In the years since graduating from Middlebury, he'd earned a law degree (from St. John's University), served in the U.S. Marine Corps (as a military judge and judge advocate), been legal counsel to a giant subsidiary of Pepsico, and spent six years as a vice president at Westinghouse Broadcasting Company.

At Westinghouse, he was also general manager of WINS Radio, an all-news station in New York City whose weekly audience of 2.5 million made it "the world's most listened-to station." Being the station's chief operating officer was, he says, "a remarkable opportunity to have access to information and influence," and he was hooked—on radio and on the idea of owning his own station.

So when the Federal Communications Commission revoked the license of an FM station in New Jersey, Forster and four partners filed an application with the FCC to operate the station, whose listening area extends throughout the New York metropolitan area.

That was six years ago. "Because of the infrequency with which licenses become available, " Forster says, "there were 30 competing applications." In 1986, the FCC awarded Forster and his partners the license, but victory was short-lived when the decision was almost immediately appealed. The results of that appeal are expected this summer.

"While I would have liked to have had the broadcasting decision resolved earlier," Forster says, demonstrating the "positive attitude" that he says every entrepreneur must maintain, "the experience has helped me to recognize more fully the value of the public trust that comes with a broadcasting license. I think I'll be a better broadcaster and businessperson because of that."

While waiting for the decision, however, "as my wife told me, 'You've got to find another job.'" Forster teaches labor and communications law at Pace University, and he is also a principal in an advertising representative firm. In 1985, he worked with Gary Puckrein of Rutgers University on the start-up of *American Visions,* a magazine of Afro-American opinion and culture. Forster managed advertising sales for the publication's first issue, sent to 2 million readers in conjunction with the first federal holiday marking Martin Luther King's birthday. (Today, he says, "*American Visions* is alive and well.") With his partners, he continues to investigate other broadcast properties, and he serves on a wide variety of boards and committees.

Attracted to entrepreneurship by the control that ownership offers, Forster is quick to point out that "no man, not even an entrepreneur, is an island." In fact, he says, "As I have looked at the important things in my life, they're all connected with people."

Believing that Middlebury College "is not buildings and an address, but people," Forster has joined with a group of 15 New Yorkers—a mixture of Middlebury alumni and persons who work with the city's minority youth—to form a Diversity Task Force. The group, which first began meeting in February, wants to help the College to recruit and retain a more diverse student body.

"The focus is not simply on bringing more minorities to Middlebury," Forster says, "but on diversifying Middlebury in the broadest sense of the word—from economic, cultural, and ethnic standpoints." His commitment is personal—he remembers being "one of four black students at Middlebury" and "times when I was very aware that I was one of the black students"—but it is also intellectual: "I believe that the best educational environment is one with *many* different kinds of people. A problem is like a sphere. Different people at different positions see it differently, and the more different sets of minds you have looking at a problem, the better."

The task force, which will present its plans to the trustees in September, may urge the College to "adopt," perhaps with the help of federal funding, a New York middle school with a diverse student population. "Adoption" could help the school's students by keeping them in the educational pipeline—and could help sensitize the College community to the needs and environments of different student populations. Another plan is to secure internships that give Middlebury students the chance to work with minority groups.

"The New York task force is really a prototype," Forster says, "to be duplicated in other cities around the country—in some form. A project aimed at achieving diversity can't be stamped from a cooky cutter. Each group will reflect the environment in its own city."

The project has an entrepreneurial aspect. "These are uncharted waters; there's no blueprint." But to Forster, the pay-off is clear: "As a learning institution, Middlebury will be more attractive. More students, from more places, and more faculty, will see it as an exciting place to be."—*MRY*

"unusual stuff and a large selection at low prices." Essentially, he is a record collector and wanted to buy wholesale: "Now that records are a dinosaur...there will be a great collector's orgy." Hal's establishment sounds like a "must stop" on anyone's New England itinerary!

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Class Secretaries: *Avalin Wilkins Green, 80 Highland Ave., Montclair, NJ 07042, and Craig W. Stewart, 923 Cedar St., Edmonds, WA 98020.*

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Class Secretaries: *Catherine Telfair Wright, 7 Wrisley Court, Sussex Place, Essex Junction, VT 05452, and Timothy Y. Hayward, 8 Woodcrest Road, Montpelier, VT 05602.*

Be sure to sign in when you attend a Middlebury-sponsored event. The College will now notify your class secretaries so that we can keep track of you. We hear that **Maryann Hickcox Gow** and **Pat Watt Holley** attended Parents Weekend. We are also informed that **Phyllis Campbell Winkel** was in Providence, R.I., in November for the lecture by Mark Patinkin '74. ...**Karin Swanson** is now vice president/medical affairs at Central Maine Medical Center. Her new address is 4 Bearce Avenue, Lewiston, ME 04240. Her children are Matt (21), Julie (19), and Alison (17).

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Hamilton S. Gregg (Carolyn Breckenridge), 200 East 94th St., #1817, New York, NY 10128, and Frederick W. Stetson, 10 W. Canal St., Winooski, VT 05404.*

Judy Whatmore Arnold is teaching full time at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in Belton, Texas. "Duties include 'intensive English' for all new international students and one Spanish course. Husband John retired from the United States Air Force last August and is now a full-time student, seeking a teacher certification in math." ...**Anna Maria Pfeiffer Barnum** has two daughters in college, "Becca at the University of Akron, where I'm an associate professor, and Sukey at Oberlin. In addition to teaching English and technical report writing, I conduct legal-writing summer workshops. Also I chair the local legal committee of the American Civil Liberties Union, which means I interview, refer, and find volunteer attorneys for people needing help. Playing traditional music in various string bands is my weekend activity of choice, along with meetings of a women's poetry support group. In January, I was an associate in poetry at the Atlantic Center for the Arts in New Smyrna Beach, Fla., where Howard Nemerov was resident master artist in poetry. That's my excitement for the year!" ...Living in Portland, Maine, **Svea Carlson** is a self-employed computer consultant. ...**Bob Coutts** lives in Los Altos, Calif., where he's responsible for Hewlett-Packard's personnel programs in the Pacific Basin, Latin America, and Canada. "Vacations are spent closer to home, alternating between the desert near Palm Springs and the Jersey shore. While at the Shore, it's been great to see Floyd Moreland '64 and the carousel he has painstakingly restored on the boardwalk at Seaside Heights. Both of us worked there summers while going to Middlebury." ...**Jane Henne Grant** teaches Spanish and Latin at the Academy at Charlemont, Mass., while husband Steve teaches economics at North Adams State College. They have three children—Charlie (13), Joshua (11), and David (9). "We still grow raspberries for summer sale," Jane writes," and we've built up a significant number of eager customers, so at times demand exceeds supply. Cheers!" ...**Nance Logan Greenberg** reports, "I have joined the ranks of commuters—I'm working in Manhatten at F.T.I., a vendor of securities processing software. We moved a year and a half ago to a house a few blocks away from the old one (in Millburn, N.J.). I enjoy renovating houses. This is the third! Our son, Mike, is at Stanford. Susan is busy writing college applications, while Liz studies flute and is in the 7th grade. Bennett still teaches at College of St. Elizabeth and loves having an audience every day." ...In Denver, Colo., **Terry Granger** is "heavily involved in the Human Potential Movement, doing research on the contextual basis for family dysfunction and its effect on compulsive behavior of all kinds. I have a counseling practice which is facilitating people to dramatically shift the operating 'ground of being' from which they live their lives. The results are breakthroughs in personal expression, aliveness and effectiveness, as well as an experience of peace and profound satisfaction. In a nutshell, I interact with people and they get to remember how perfect they really are. My daughter, Gretchen, is at Colby College where she's on the dean's list. And my son, Web, is in high school. Most recent triumphs include uncovering the true me, and leading a group of volunteer assistants in the production of a breakthrough mastery of empowerment course for Werner Erhardt in California, and negotiating a five-year deferment of action from the IRS. See you at the 25th." ..."Send referrals!" writes **John Hastings**. "After many years of debate I have finally 'hung out my shingle' as a CPA/financial consultant in Hopkinton, N.H. Timing is great since my oldest, Betsy, is a freshman in college. Martha and family are enthusiastic and in fine health." ...**Susan Emrich Hall** (P.O. Box 516, 121 Main St., Ashburnham, MA 01430) is a "full-time" homemaker and mother of an 8-year-old daughter. In her spare time, she does volunteer work, visiting the elderly. "Twice," she tells us, "I've been able to answer questions (on TV quiz shows) that had the contestants completely stumped. Herr Neuse would have been proud of me." ...Up until mid-1986, **B. Carole Hoffman** was a litigation associate with the New York law firm of Mudge, Rose, Guthrie, Alexander, and Ferdon. "In May of '86, I moved in house at Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc., where I am vice president-senior litigation attorney. My son, Jonathan (11), attends a boys' school here in New York." ...**Beth Holmes Carter** writes from Tacoma, Wash.: "I closed out my 'locum tenes' fill-in radiology practice in exchange for more realistic hours with a half-time job at Group Health Cooperative (a large, Pacific Northwest health maintenance organization). The boys are in elementary school. We found time last summer to visit a dude ranch in Montana—an absolutely unforgettable fun week! In October, Preston '66 took a safari tour in Tanzania and climbed Mount Kilimanjaro." ...**Maris Swan Humphreys** reports, "I've just knocked down the mailbox, eliminating paint on a car that's supposed to be sold because we just got a new one. My daughter, Lesley, is yes!—a freshman at Middlebury. I love taking her back to school. Gardener (15) attends Moses Brown School in Providence, R.I.; Pamela (9) is a hard charger like her father. We like our children very much. Career: I am on the staff of the Redwood Library, and if you're ever in Newport, R.I., please stop by. I'm active in the local parish, Episcopal. Ski better every year. Spouse Keith is a retail broker with Durfee Attleboro, Fall River, Mass. Looking forward to seeing George and **Marguerite Dupuis Balaschak**. That is the larger picture. So glad you guys finally loosened my pen. But, the car, the car...." ...**Andy Johnson** has returned to Vermont, after an exciting semester abroad, working and enjoying the sights of London. Andy was in charge of the study-abroad option Johnson State College developed in conjunction with the American Institute for Foreign Studies. Andy also passed her oral exams and graduated with honors from McGill University, where she earned a Ph.D. (Wallace Stevens was the subject of her thesis.). Somehow, Andy also finds time to edit *Green Mountain Review*, an excellent literary magazine based in Vermont. ...**Jane Isaacs Toussaint** tells us she is "working at Credit Lyonnais Bank in individual portfolio management. After 17 years in the travel business, banking is less exciting but offers more regular hours. What I'm really hoping for is a position with the new Euro-Disneyland opening east of Paris around 1992. The kids think I'd be a great Minnie Mouse. And besides, they want free admission. Karine (13) and Paul (10) and I are pulling our lives together after my husband's death three years ago. We still love Paris and have made at least a temporary commitment to it by buying an apartment. Saw **Andy Johnson** in November and had great fun catching up on 22 years." ...**Ardis Austin Johnson**, who lives in Sterling, Va., has a new editorial position with the Foreign Broadcast Information Service. She and husband Carlton have two children. Their son, Darin, has been accepted on the early decision plan by the School of Engineering at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. Their 8th-grade daughter, Tara, is active with flute, dance, and the school yearbook staff. ...From Clearwater, Fla., **Jiffy Starr Johnson** writes that she had "assumed responsibility for fund raising for a non-profit, community-supported agency—Family Service Centers, which offers counseling, workshops, home health care, and adoption for special children. I also continue as director of public relations. Our 'Festival of Trees' cleared over $40,000 and had 3,000 people attending—double what the agency has done before! Now have a super excuse to visit Midd—our daughter, Susanne '91, is a student at Middlebury! And she has decided to help WRMC—shades of history...." ...**Gordon Kenyon** lives in Albion, Maine. He's a berry grower and has worked over the years as a biology teacher and in the construction field. "High points," Gordon writes, have included, "Summer '74 landed in Shelton, Wash., after round trip to Maine in my Piper Tracer with 110 hours on my license; summer '81, member of data-gathering team from Oregon State University on Mount Saint Helens; summer '82, two weeks with the same OSU team gathering base line data in High Sierra, Calif.; various river trips in Idaho and Montana; family, married, 1968, Marilyn; kids, Sage (F, 11 years) and Chen (M, 8 years); Hopes, Plans—retain sanity as kids hit puberty. Get back into the West now that my wife is beginning to realize that the East is in fact only a place to visit." ...**Lee Holden Kintzel**, who has moved three times since 1983, is licensed to practice law in Ohio, Arizona, and Texas, and "happily associated" with the law firm of Bickerstaff, Heath and Smiley in Austin, Texas. Her husband, Roger, is publisher of the Austin *American-Statesman*. "After a 20-year hiatus," Lee writes, "I have taken up skiing again, in Colorado—love that western snow!" ...**Phil Kithil** is involved in a new company, Business Data Services, Inc., which develops micro-economic data-

bases. Phil has three children, Kate (12), Carlton (9), and Christina (7) and all, he reports, are "blond, great skiers, and good in school, too!" As summer approached, Phil's "wishlist" included "sailing the San Juans (Washington coast), hiking beaches of Olympic National Park, hiking and sailing in New Mexico and Colorado, and a long overdue trip back East!" ...**Larry Leahy** has been named district business manager of the Chittenden Central School District, which serves the communities of Essex Junction and Westford, Vt. Before assuming this position, Larry was the director of finance for the Winchester, Conn., public schools. He's also taught business education courses in the Hingham, Mass., public schools and served as an administrative assistant for budget and planning for the Swampscott Massachusetts Public Schools. A former fast-skating defenseman for Middlebury, Larry told us he likes his new job because, among other things, "the manager of the Essex Junction hockey rink reports to me." Last February, **Bill Thompson** and his wife, Mary Pat, welcomed Larry to Vermont, at a most enjoyable dinner at their home in Burlington. ...**Norm Lowe** writes, "I hope you're saving for the class gift in '90—$400 K plus. All's good—business excellent—doubling sales volume yearly. Anne and I in Montana in August, fishing, meetings at plant, etc. Winsor (16) spent a year in France. Oakley (16) switched to Hopkinton, N.H., High School. Martha and **John Hastings**' daughter, Nancy, are in the same class. Went to Nantucket with **Peter** and Lee Hall '66 **Delfausse**. Peter and I survived a 10-mile run. Also saw **Tom Trafton** and Peter Carlson on Nantucket. Pete owns Summer House—a great restaurant." ...**Read McLean** has some startling news from Florida: "Strange as it sounds, we have purchased a real live elephant (named 'Candy') for use in the promotion of our furniture business (Jumbo Discounts at McLean's). *And* the resulting by-product has proven to be an extraordinary 'secret' ingredient for my avocational passion—the organic gardening of prize-winning sunflowers." ...**Pia Ajango Tallieu** (26 Saverly St., Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K2P 0T9) writes, "After getting my M.A. in French in Paris, I lived and worked in France for eight years. In the interim, I married a French artist and had a boy, Nicolas, and girl, Taimi Nathalie. I divorced the French artist in 1973 and picked up my kids (now 17 and 16) and moved to Toronto, Ontario, where I could use my by-then perfect bilingualism professionally. There I cultivated a career in public relations, which landed me a two-year contract for the Canadian Forces in West Germany. So, back to Europe it was, skiing in Switzerland and Austria, sunning in sunny Italy, etc. Loved it. My daughter hated it, and so back to Canada it was in August 1985. Then I started working for the Canadian Red Cross and they moved me to their headquarters in Ottawa, where I'm director-corporate communications. Never worked so hard in my life!" ...**Howard Tolley**, who is an associate professor of political science at the University of Cincinnati, wrote *The U.N. Commission on Human Rights*, a book published by Westview Press in July 1987. ...**John Walker** got his master's degree in liberal studies from Georgetown University in May 1987. He's doing a lot of traveling as director of admissions at Episcopal High School. He also interviews Midd applicants from the Alexandria, Va., area. **Nancy Sherman Walker** is training to be a substance abuse counselor and is working at the Alexandria Detoxification Center while taking courses toward certification. Son Johnny '88 is a spring graduate from Middlebury where he was a member of the varsity lacrosse team, president of the Rugby Club, and vice president of Chi Psi. Pete is at Washington College in Chestertown, Md., interested in psychology and creative writing. All four Walkers spent a month in France and Switzerland last summer. ...Dr. **Elizabeth Walter-Echols** and her family live in Kartoum, Sudan, "where my husband does agricultural development assistance, while I teach German and do volunteer work. Sadly, we watch one of the poorest countries become even poorer and more chaotic. Yet we wouldn't give anything for this experience. We feel *everyone* really should have to live in and know the Third World." ...**Walt Wilson** is a senior partner with the Washington, D.C., law firm, Kilcullen, Wilson and Kilcullen. He and wife Renee and their two children, Heather and Craig, live in Potomac, Md. ...The children of Charles '63 and **Ellen Stott Woods** are thriving. Stott is 22, Patricia is 19, and Bryan is 17. ...Gail and **Jon Yerow** have two daughters, Katie, a graduate of Ohio State University, and Susan, a student at Trinity College, Wash., D.C. Jon is president and chief executive officer of DYA, Inc. ...**Frank Zezza** is general manager of WCFR radio in Springfield, Vt. He and wife Jocelyn have two sons, James and Christopher. ...Once more, thank you all very kindly for your wonderful notes and letters. We wish time would permit us to respond to each of you personally. We really welcome news of your growing families, diverse careers, distant homes, and varied interests.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. J. Dudley King (Rita Crocitto), 6 Arrow Road, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928.*

Susan and **Peter Allen** and their adorable daughter, Emeline (1-1/2), have again joined the University of Pittsburgh's spring '88 Semester at Sea program. They sail around the world (ten ports in 100 days) on the *S.S. Universe* with approximately 450 students from the U.S. and Canada. Differing slightly from their last trip on the *Universe* in 1985, the itinerary includes the new ports of Yalta, Split, Penang, and Manila. Peter teaches one course and directs the CORE curriculum; Susan teaches a course in ancient art. During the 1988-89 academic year Peter will be on sabbatical leave, doing research in Greece, while Susan conducts her doctoral dissertation research in Greece, Turkey, Cyprus, Syria, and Israel. Meanwhile the Allens have a new address: 98 Transit St., Providence, R.I. 02906. A recent family photo they sent includes a large, late-19th-century, three-story, Victorian house which they MOVED 2-1/2 blocks and renovated as rental property. ...**George Voland** is in his 21st year of teaching English. He has taught at South Burlington (Vt.) High School since 1974. He also coaches cross-country running, directs the SBHS Jazz Ensemble, plays valve trombone with the Vermont Jazz Ensemble and small groups, and does freelance writing (he's now working on a non-fiction book). His wife, Anne, is the regional teacher for Chittenden County with the Migrant Education Program. Daughter Caryn is in 9th grade at SBHS; son Rob is in 8th grade. ...Word has reached us that **Joel Najman**, who did graduate work in psychology at the University of Vermont, is a radio announcer at WDOT in Burlington. ...**Nancy King Dauray** has moved to Florida where her mailing address is P.O. Box 2838, Palm Beach, FL 33480. ...**Kathie Forster Birat** is back in France after a year in Tokyo. She has published a book in collaboration with a professor from Aoyama Junior College, entitled *Looking Inward, Looking Outward: Japanese Women Today*. Kathie also has a new address: 5 Chemin du Gate-Chaux, 57210 Semecourt, France. ...**Mark O'Reilly** has been elected to a three-year term as a board member of the Colorado Ski Museum—Ski Hall of Fame, a public non-profit historical organization dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of the history of skiing in Colorado. ...**Rick Mills** has been named Vermont's Commissioner of Education. Education board chairwoman Martha O'Connor said, in introducing Rick, "It is a rare individual who appeals to the many facets of the educational community. Richard Mills is just such a person." Rick has been a special assistant on education issues to New Jersey Governor Kean and served as chair of the Education Commission of States, chair of the National Governors' Association Task Force on Teacher Recruitment, and U.S. representative to the standing committee of European Ministers of Education. Rick's accomplishments in his job with Kean included raising minimum teacher salaries and the organization of a National Teacher Forum in ten states, one of which was held in Vermont, to stimulate discussion among teachers and their employers. ...Media coverage of Australia's Bicentennial brought thoughts of **Carol Buck Dettmann**. Apparently she was also thinking of us because she wrote "I am in the throes of the promotion for my new book, *The Chance of a Lifetime: Infertility and IVF*, published in Australia by Penguin. Otherwise keeping busy with three children, an 1840 house in the country as well as the Sydney place, and our publishing company (Wellington Lane Press) which is best described as small and eclectic. Would love to see classmates coming for Australia's Bicentennial in 1988." ...**Rick Fall**'s recent marriage to Diane Hankins increased the size of his family, adding her two daughters (16 and 20) to Rick's son (11) and daughter (13). Rick has purchased a sales and marketing company, SMS Product Group, which handles these activities on an exclusive basis for beverage manufacturers, including an import beer (Warsteiner), Blue Sky natural sodas and waters, and major client Nestle Foods Corporation and their new Libby's juice line. ...**Don Myers** has his own real estate investment and development firm, working throughout the Northeast, located in West Hartford, Conn. He bumped into his former math teacher, Bud Leeds, at his prep school (Berkshire) reunion. Don's family includes wife Susan and two boys, Douglas (4) and Brendon (1), as well as three children from his former marriage—Chris (23), Katura (21), and Donald, Jr. (18). ...From **Lynn Clemmer Ballou**: "I'm now in business for myself, practicing trial and appeals law out of the house. Enjoy the increased control and contact with the work and people, plus the increased time with son Will and husband Peter '64." Lynn has a new box number: Box 328, South Freeport, ME 04078. ...Class Agent **Chip Elfner** is a busy man. When not sending out fund raising letters to each of us, he is president of Keystone Custodian Funds and chairman of Keystone Investment Management Company. In addition, he has been appointed chief financial officer of the Keystone Group which provides investment services for individual and institutional investors. Also active in community affairs, Chip is a trustee of Anatolia College, a member of the finance committee of the Middlesex School, and a director and chairman of the investment committee of the Boston Children's Services Association.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. William H. Hearne (Deven Hayford), 324 Ayrault Road, Fairport, NY 14450, and Rich-*

ard E. Roller, 260 Front St., Marion, MA 02738.

Seems a long time since you saw a column here—blessings on those of you who sent in some updates on your lives! ...Congratulations to **James Adams**, who joined the audit department of the Howard Bank in Burlington, Vt., in 1972, and is now senior vice president and controller of same as well as acting treasurer of Howard Bancorp. He has also been elected cashier of the Howard Bank by its board of directors. ...**John Plant** is still teaching elementary music at St. George's School of Montreal. In May of last year the Playwrights' Workshop at Concordia University persented a concert version of the first act of his opera, *Dr. Faustus Lights the Lights.*. His address is 2186 De Maisonneuve W. #2, Montreal P.Q. H3H 1L1 Canada. ...**Margaret Ryder** (320 Hazlewood, San Francisco, CA 94127) is teaching English as a second language to Asian immigrants at San Francisco Community College, though she took off six months last year to do extended traveling and camping around the U.S. (and is ready to do it again!). ...**Charlie Mead** (1511 Grace Church Road, Silver Spring, MD 20910) tells us that he is corporate account manager at Digital Equipment Corporation. ...**Carol Deering Morgan** has a new address—3397 Mallard Court, Hayward, CA 94542—as does **Ford Cole** at 111 Worth Ave., Hamden, CT 06518. ...**Frederick Myers** (Box 1671, Aramco, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia), who married Madeleine Kramer in September 1986, has added a new son, Warren Clinton (born October 1987) to his list of accomplishments. Welcome to the world of Sesame Street and Luvs, Fred. ...**James Soule** (3401 Cherry St., Denver, CO 80222) is a senior engineering geologist with the Colorado Geological Survey, specializing in geologic hazards (especially landslides) and land-use planning. ...**Margo Taussig Pinkerton** (RR 1, Box 81, Canaan, NH 03741) has added the *Boston Globe* to her list of editorial photo credits. She has been accepted into the New Hampshire Art Association and one of her photos graces the cover of the 1988 *Yankee* Engagement Calendar. Nice exposure, Margo! ...And **Bob Bethke** writes, "Our wonderful 20th Reunion last May lingers in fond memory. How little we've all changed, all things considered. Spent several weeks trout fishing and hiking during late summer in Vail where I have year-round access to a family condo. Will be skiing there over the post-Christmas holidays, and in January will 'do' Zermatt on a ski tour. Ah, the benefits of a university professor's routine! Always anxious to hear from classmates who share these interests and the joys of reunions, East or West. Call me at (302) 453-1462." ...Please write us, folks. Peer out over the edge of your rut and let us know what you're doing down there!

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Class Secretaries: *Shari Galligan Johnson, 230 Hopkinton Road, Concord, NH 03301, and Dr. Bentley C. Gregg, 9800 Meadow Knoll Court, Vienna, VA 22180.*

Joan Waltermire (Cream St., Thetford Center, VT 05075) is the illustrator of a new book, *Backpacking: The Way of a Naturalist*, written by Ted Levin. The book was offered in the 1987 *Vermont Life* Christmas catalogue. ...**Kathleen Park Moore** (911-A Front Ave. N.W., Albuquerque, NM 87102) is a natural therapeutics specialist, having received educational training at the New Mexico School of Natural Therapeutics. She has two children, Hannah Sawyer (16) and Cheyenne Sawyer (13). ...**Larry Raab** (139 Bulkley St., Williamstown, MA 01267) is an associate professor of English at Williams College where he has been teaching since 1976. In January 1988, he gave a reading of his own poetry at the Berkshire Athenaeum in Pittsfield, Mass., as part of the Library Arts Series. (Larry is listed as a native of Pittsfield.) He has had his poems published in *The New Yorker, The Atlantic Monthly, Poetry, The American Poetry Review, Antaeus, The Paris Review*, and *The American Scholar*. Collections of his poetry have appeared in numerous books, and he has also published several essays and other pieces of fiction. ...**Robert Copeland**'s mother-in-law reports that Robert will not be attending our 20th Reunion because he will be doing field work in Kenya for the next two years. His address is ICIPE Mbita Point Field Station, Box 30, Mbita, Kenya. ...Our classmates who were attendees at the 1987 Middlebury College Parents Weekend included **Pamela Parsons Naughton** and **Frank Adshead**. Attendees at the September 1987 Alumni Leadership Weekend at Bread Loaf included **Magna Leffler Dodge, Jean Dithmar Myer, Jeremy Smith**, and **Barbara Ensminger Stoebenau**. These folks are members of our Reunion Gifts committee and are working with **Al Lindsey** who is a staff member in the College's Capital Campaign Office. Also at the Bread Loaf Weekend were your class secretaries, **Shari Galligan Johnson** and **Ben Gregg**, starting the planning process for our 20th Reunion.

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Class Secretaries: *Wendy Cole Singleton, 16109 Chalfont Circle, Dallas, TX 75248, and Lynn Markham Beebe, 12 Summerwood Road, W. Simsbury, CT 06092.*

Francis Chin is an attorney now practicing in Boston. He received his J.D. degree in 1978 from New York University School of Law, was a partner in a Boston law firm for several years, and left about a year ago to start his own firm. Fran's practice is now exclusively in the area of U.S. Immigration Law, with a focus on corporations, academic institutions, and professionals. Fran and his wife, Wai Jit, live at 14 Blackstone Terrace, Newton, MA 02158. ...A new address for Suzi and **Bill Bethke**, daughter Corey and son Brian, is 151 Lake Drive, Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046. ...**Rick Shaine** (411 West End Ave., #15E, New York, NY 10024) writes, "I have worked as a film editor since 1971. Major feature credits include the recently colorized version of *That Darned Cat*, a documentary entitled *Bottlecaps*, and *What a Wilkie*, based on Saul Bellow's novel *Sieze the Day* (required reading during freshman year at Midd). Also have collaborated with Dick Wien '66 and **Dave Ireland** on a folk-rock music album, *(Almost) Anything Goes.* ...**Barbara Brennan Kruesi** married Richard E. Dooley on April 26, 1987, and they are living at 1380 Kenilwood Land, Riverwoods, IL 60015. ...**Jackie Hart** (P.O. Box 68, Byford, Western Australia 6201) is "still living on a small holding of 15 acres with my husband, John Edwards, and our two children, Leslie Owen (born April 20, 1985) and Clark Mercedes (born July 29, 1986. The two of them and our 7 horses, 1 cow, dos, cats, budgies, and uncountable chickens and ducks keep us fairly busy. In our spare time (!) we play polo-crosse, a horse sport based on a combination of polo and lacrosse. Both kids are just starting to ride, too." ...**Susan J. Robb** has been named coordinator of legislative affairs for the land branch of Phillips Petroleum Company's Exploration and Production group. She was previously a senior specialist in government affairs for Phillips E&P's international division in the People's Republic of China in Beijing. She joined Phillips in 1980 as a general landman and went to Beijing in 1984 as a deputy executive representative. ...**Sam Eaton** has been living in Santa Barbara, Calif., with wife Merilee and their three boys, Brian, Kevin, and Christopher, since 1978. Sam is in private law practice specializing in trial work—criminal and civil. He enjoys living in the Santa Barbara area. Travel, motorcycling, and maintaining the "ranch" are primary recreational pastimes. ...**Donald Delano** has a new address: c/o Littleton Video, 1500 W. Littleton Blvd., Littleton, CO 80120. ...**Connie Coffin Carter** (136 Bennoch Road, Orono, ME 04473) moved to Orono last August. Husband Kent teaches in the College of Business Administration at the University of Maine. Connie has taken a temporary leave from teaching the visually impaired and has just completed an ESL (English as a second language) tutoring course. She reports their spare time is spent renovating an old farm house and playing taxi for the children! ...**Anne Harris Onion** writes, "We're *still* renovating our ca. 1815 house in Gilmanton Corner, N.H. Our kids are now in 2nd, 4th, and 6th grades, and I work as a title abstractor four days a week while they are in school. I'm very busy with family activities, my fifth year on the local school board, and have really appreciated my discovery of the Laconia Unitarian Universalist Church, served by another Middlebury alum, **Jeff Brown**!" ...**James LaChance** has become a partner in the law firm of Blank and LaChance, specializing in plaintiffs' personal injury litigation in Georgia, Florida, and South Carolina, with offices at 800 Peachtree Center Tower, 230 Peachtree St. N.W., Atlanta, GA 30303. ...That's it for this time. Keep those cards and letters coming!

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Class Secretaries: *J. Ashley Cadwell, RD 1, Box 56, Orchard Lane, Middlebury, VT 05753, and Thomas de Rogatis, 27 E. 65th St., #5E, New York, NY 10021.*

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Class Secretaries: *Paula Morgan Wyman, RD 1, Box 1395, Arlington, VT 05250, and Gay Mann Folland, RFD 1, Box 180-2A1 Tasker Hill Road, Conway, NH 03818.*

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Class Secretaries: *Judy McCormack Culhane, P.O. Box 25864, Honolulu, HI 96825, and William E. Carlough, 54 Pleasant Ave., Pleasantville, NY 10570.*

Diamond **Jim Gamble** has announced that one of his short stories has just been published by Harvest HBJ Paperbacks in *A Matter of Crime*, Vol. II. Autographed copies are available at bookstores everywhere. ...**Judy Wingham** and husband Brian Smith welcomed a new daughter, Lauren Michelle, on August 12, 1987. Judy writes that "I've been really enjoying staying at home with the children, and have been doing freelance writing assignments from time to time. My specialty is interior design in which I received a diploma back in 1984." ...We are also happy to report the arrival of two boys named Andrew: Andrew Aaron joined Robert and **Sandra Lang Landsman** on De-

When Morgan Stanley decided to do business in Tokyo, it moved quickly

"Why not?" said Investment Banker Joanne Scott '75 when her firm, Morgan Stanley of New York, asked her, "How would you like to move to Japan for a year or two?" There was a catch: she had to leave in three weeks. "I had a week to decide," she says, "and another two weeks to get there."

Although her company usually provides some form of "cultural acclimation" when sending its people into overseas situations, Scott went into her new job pretty cold. Arriving in Japan early in 1985, Scott's task was to facilitate the development and integration of Morgan Stanley's rapidly expanding Tokyo office. She didn't know the language, which was a big disadvantage, but she helped train new Japanese employees in investment banking and corporate finance—Morgan Stanley style. By the time Scott returned to New York in December of 1986, the Tokyo office had grown from a mere 100 staffers to over 300.

In teaching Japan's investment bankers how to play the international finance market American-style, Scott learned much about the nature of the Japanese and their approach to business. Professionals in the United States, according to Scott, "are taught to be outspoken and assertive in order to be effective in our business society." The Japanese method, on the other hand, depends on a gradual evolution or "the building up" of a business relationship. With regard to investment banking and finance, Scott reports that the Japanese favor a "market share" approach, which leads to long-term profitability; Japanese firms will sacrifice short-term profits in order to develop customer loyalty and a large volume of business. Moreover, while the strength of American businesses lies with the entrepreneurial spirit of the individuals they employ, Scott says that the strength of Japanese businesses stems from their tremendous organization and capacity for solid teamwork.

"It's not an easy culture to jump into," Scott says. Among other things, the Japanese have different expectations for women in their society. Because women in Japanese culture are not traditionally involved in business, it was sometimes difficult for Scott to develop important business relationships.

As a stranger in a strange land, Scott, who took an M.B.A. from Dartmouth's Tuck School in 1977, was grateful for a taste of home when she attended a Middlebury reception in Tokyo. She met a number of people who had studied Japanese at the Language Schools: she says, "It was like home away from home." She also confesses that while in Japan she missed cross country skiing at Bread Loaf and skiing at the Snow Bowl. Whenever possible, she likes to travel to Vermont for the College's "Winter Weekend": "There's nothing like it."

Back home for over a year now, Scott has continued with the cultural exchange that she began in Tokyo; Japanese business has become a personal specialty, and she reads, keeps open her contacts, and teaches on the subject. Building upon the experience she gained there, she now works with "international equity," dealing with Japanese companies who want to issue stock in the U. S. Investment banking on the international level is rewarding, Scott says, because businesses and finance markets are becoming more and more global. Says Scott, "It's very exciting to be a part of this rapid evolution." She also likes to feel that she's "keeping an eye on the rest of the world."

—Leslie Virostek '88

cember 27, 1986, and Andrew Michael joined **Paul** and Pamela Hart '73 **Gares** on July 5, 1987. Andrew Michael and sister Christine now help run the Gares horse farm in Hamilton, N.Y., which has grown to three horses and a pony from last report.

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Farley, 27 Horseshoe Road, Mount Kisco, NY 10549, and Kirk Brennan, Lippincott & Margulies, 499 Park Ave., New York, NY 10022.*

By now you are recovering from the frenzy of our 15th Reunion over Memorial Day weekend. Thanks to all who volunteered their help during the weekend. ...**Lawrence Thomas** reports that he is director of provider affairs for World Access, Inc., a subsidiary of Blue Cross Blue Shield. He and Jane have two children, Mary Francis (3) and Richard John (2). ...**Richard Keenley** is an employee benefit consultant with William M. Mercer-Meidinger-Hansen, Inc. He and Eileen have a son, James (5-1/2) and a daughter, Elizabeth (2). ...*Boston Seniority Newspaper* recently profiled **Susan Dale**, Boston's deputy director of the Area Agency on Aging. After Middlebury, Susan joined VISTA, received a master's in human services management from Brandeis, and then began her career with the City of Boston social services departments. Her position puts her in charge of over 30 different social service organizations and nutrition programs in the City. Her quiet, deliberate manner of managing has become well respected by all those who have contact with her. ...As director of health education at Dartmouth's health service, **Beverlie Conant Sloane** has been active in the sex education effort on college campuses. The November 8, 1987, *New York Times* praised not only her aggressive stand on sex education, but also her published work in public health and her research on issues such as rural health care in Kenya and emergency health care in urban centers. The article also cites her book, *Partners in Health*, which discusses sex education topics for college students, as an award-winning publication. ...**Terry Sweeney**, late of *Saturday Night Live* and Fox Broadcasting's *The Late Show*, was interviewed at length (9/6/87) by the *Gay Community News* of Boston. Topics discussed include the lack of ensemble feeling among the cast during his season on *Saturday Night Live* and how he developed his Nancy Reagan impersonization. Terry also related his revelatory experience at Middlebury, listening to speakers from the Gay Speakers Bureau, which gave him the courage to begin his life as an openly gay person. His current projects include

Annika Paulsson (Colgate class of '83) and Brian Holtan '76—who met during a People Express delay and have been flying high ever since—were married on August 8, 1987. Celebrants included (back row, from left) Gary Holtan '78, the newlyweds, Roger Prince '76, Sally Grimes Barron '76, Chris Barron '76, (front row) Scott Pitz '76, Alan Kirkpatrick, Mary Gilmore Kirkpatrick '78, and Kim Holtan '81.

The marriage of Duke and Gretchen Hund McCabe '79 in Alexandria, Va., on October 24, 1987, brought together (back row, from left, all '79 unless otherwise indicated) Chris Eaton, David Gilrain, Vicky Valar, Robin Putnam '80, the newlyweds, Helen Ballew '81, (front row) Sherill Sanderson Smith, Jonathan Glass, Mary Porter Wright, Jason Rubin, and John Wright.

a book tentatively titled *Dare to Love* and producing two movies, *Burning Love* and *Shagg*.

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Class Secretary: *Peter Colton, 1381 Arona St., St. Paul, MN 55108.*

Larry and **Betsy Tuttle Athan** report the arrival of their second child, Robert Forbes, born October 26, 1987. ...**Chuck** and **Diane Dellamano Brakeley** (37 Stonegate Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107) have relocated to Maine where they have built a new home. Chuck is now the marketing office manager for Aetna in Portland; his territory includes Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. ...**Peggy Hart** and her husband, Richard Warner, are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Miles Hart Warner, on April 26, 1987.

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Class Secretaries: *Becca Gustafson Brown, 1 Roseland Road, Worcester, MA 01609, and Tony MacDonald, 313 5th St. NE, Washington, DC 20002.*

Your class secretaries are finally settling down after some upheaval in their lives. On February 10 **Becca Gustafson Brown** gave birth to her third child, Sarah Mercer, 8 lbs. 4 oz. **Tony MacDonald**, who recently relocated from New York City to Washington, D.C. (313 5th St. N.E., Washington, DC 20002), has not cut his ties to the City altogether. He has taken a job as a lobbyist for New York City, handling environment, energy, cultural, and consumer affairs issues. ...A recent lecture at the Darien Community Association featured **Andrew Reding** speaking on liberation theology and Latin American politics. Andrew, who has a master's degree from Princeton University in international relations, is conducting research on human rights, democratic processes, religion and environmental policy in Latin America. ...A recent article by **W. Greg Moore** in the *Idaho Mountain Express* tells of his personal experiences while traveling in Santiago, Chile, last year. He and a friend were summarily picked up and briefly held by the police who were quashing a nearby political demonstration. ...We hear from **Bob Hamilton**, who was traveling in Korea for business, that he looked up **Henry Cho**. Henry is the executive director of hospital planning at the Koryo General Hospital Foundation in Seoul. His address is CPO Box 3452, #108 Pyeong-Dong, Jongro-Ku, Seoul, Korea T110. ...We are sorry to report that **Debbie Eaton** was widowed when Alan Bitterman died in May of 1986. Debbie has since been remarried to Craig Stirling and has moved to 33 Canal St., Windham, ME 04062. She is continuing her job for the Cleveland PR firm of Dix & Eaton, via computer. ...**Paul Cousins** (3 Bentridge Drive, Falmouth, ME 04105) has also moved to Maine where he has landed a five-year contract doing the weather for the CBS affiliate in Portland. He is looking forward to the stability for his two school-age kids. He also asked us to put out an A.P.B. for **Jesse Grunblatt** (the College computer lists Jesse at Kremu Minstr of Pln, P.O. Box 47146, Nairobi, Kenya) and asks Jesse to get it touch with him. ...**Michael Mulligan** was appointed assistant headmaster at the Thacher School in Ojai, Calif. Let us know if you're sending some of your best charges in Middlebury's direction. ...Seems we neglected to mention that last year **Diana Stoianovich** (910 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10021) was married to Charles Revson, Jr. ...Still starry-eyed, honeymooners Newton and **Barbara Hammond Schoenly** have settled in West Hartford, Conn. Newt has started a service to visit and help elderly people, drive them to appointments, do household repairs, etc. Business is mushrooming overnight, leaving both Barb and Newt busier than they ever thought they would be. ...**Carolyn Miller** wrote from Chapel Hill, N.C., where her husband, **Alan Finkel**, is finishing up his residency. They were recently up in New York City where they were joined by **Jon Lonoff**, **Sue Katz Kates, David Kester, Eve Ensler, Katy Straus, Mark Mallory, Kathi Meizner, Parker Orr**, and others in memory of **Jim Hurley** who died last year of AIDs. As *Middlebury Magazine* and *Time* reported last year, Jim spoke out eloquently and courageously before his death, calling for more public awareness and more compassion for AIDs victims. ...Rabbi **Bill Kraus** and his wife, Rabbi Ellen Lewis, are living with their two children in Somerville, N.J., where he is the spiritual leader of Temple Beth-El. ...**Dave Davidson** and **Liz Heun** were joined by their second child (and first son), Michael Huen, on April 1, 1987. ...On February 13, 1987, Lindsay Ellen was born to **Caroline Sneath McBride** and joins her sister, Ashley (5).

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Jonathan L. Drake (Cathy Colton), 546 Hilaire Road, St. Davids, PA 19087, and Jim Vear, 4129 N. Oakley, Chicago, IL 60618.*

Congratulations to **Ali Kahn**! Her first book, *Listen While I Tell You a Story of the Jews of St. John's, Newfoundland*, has just been published, and can be ordered from the publisher: Institute of Social and Economic Research, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada A1C 5S7, for $23.95 Canadian. When thousands of Jews emigrated from Eastern Europe between the 1880s and the 1920s, a handful settled in Newfoundland. Through the voices and words of these immigrants and their children, Ali's book tells the moving story of the Jews of St. John's: how they peddled goods around the island until they had saved enough money to open small shops; of their side-by-side existence with English protestants and Irish Catholics. Ali served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Benin, West Africa, from 1976-77, and in 1980 went to Newfoundland as a graduate student in folklore at Memorial University. She now works as a researcher for *National Geographic*. ...**Jon Cave** was married to Cynthia Jean Gagnon on September 12, 1987. Jon received his M.S. in fisheries biology from the University of Massachusetts and an M.B.A. from Columbia. He is director of marketing for Logos Corporation in Dedham, Mass., and serves as general manager of Logos Canada, Ltd., in Montreal, Quebec. ...Also in the newly-married category is James Knowlton '75, a Denver attorney who wed Kirsten Kokkin on June 6, 1987, in Oslo, Norway. ...**Mark Ceglarski** is part of ESPN's NFL production staff, serving as manager of program finance and pricing. Mark is responsible for establishing the budgets for ESPN's NFL programs and works with the production team on budgetary matters. Last March ESPN was awarded the NFL's first cable television contract. The first regular-season game will be November 8 when New England visits the New York Giants. Go Patriots! Mark joined ESPN in October 1979 after receiving a master's in sports management from the University of Massachusetts. He resides in Bristol, Conn., with wife Jody and their four children—Kathleen, Tommy, Meghan, and Molly. ...Also in the sports arena (no surprise!), we congratulate **Tim Fisher** who has been named director and head coach of women's skiing at Dartmouth College. Tim's exploits were recently hailed in this *Magazine*, but we can add that he also serves as director of Dartmouth's Ledyard Canoe Club which will host the 1988 American Canoeing Association Flatwater Canoeing Championships in July. ...**John Giebink**'s building career has also been taking off. He and Charlie Brush '69, partners in Shelburne-based Green Mountain Design Builders, have built an impressive array of developments and custom homes, earning them three awards from the Home Builders Association for homes costing over $175,000. **Jeff Bradley**, vice president of GMDB, heads the 20-person construction staff.

GMDB's hallmarks are quality and architectural compatibility with the Vermont landscape. In business since 1977, projects include Beaver Creek development in Shelburne, a totally wooden gymnasium at the Green Mountain Valley School in Fayston, Vt., an office building in Williston, a 66-unit townhouse complex in Shelburne, two subsidized housing units (which won first-place awards for multi-family dwellings) in Middlebury, and a four-building office complex and restaurant in South Burlington. Giebink and Brush's newest commercial project, the Stowe Club (guess where!), consists of a resort hotel, indoor athletic club, squash and racquetball courts surrounded by 78 dwellings on 240 acres. Although the commercial projects may be big, Giebink still finds custom-home building the most satisfying. Anybody need a house?

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Eric L. Peters (Libet Campbell), P.O. Box 1, Edgartown, MA 02539, and Mr. Robert C. Lindberg, 6 Jefferson St., E. Granby, CT 06026.*

Ellen Bedichek reports from Richmond, Va., that a major goal of her residency in internal medicine is survival with her sanity intact. Richmond is warmer but not as scenic as Midd and Ellen misses the people from the Class of '77. ...Our erstwhile predecessor, **Nancy Kelley Hewes**, is enjoying "retirement," and is filling her time with computer classes, tennis, and teaching Sunday school. There even seems to be time for occasional entertaining. ...**Laurie McLeod** is dividing her time between Stockbridge, Mass. (summers), and London. She continues to perform and teach dance in London, having recently performed in the 1987 London Dance Umbrella. Her company, The Laredo Dance Theatre, was to make its international debut in March 1988 at the Place Theatre, London. ...**Michele Harvan Montgomery** is in her second year of medical school at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario. Between classes and daughter Katie, life is full and very busy. ...**Libet Campbell Peters** announces that Nathaniel now has a little sister, Molly Elizabeth Hazard Peters, who arrived on January 12, 1988. Molly weighed in at 8 lbs., 5 oz., and along with brother Nathaniel is keeping Libet "fully occupied." **...Bob Lindberg, Mike McGown**, and **Duane Wilcox** were able to get together to spread some New Year cheer. Other Midd participants included Karen DiValentino McGown '78, Phyllis Wendell Mackey '78, and Michael Abend '78. Mike reports that brother **Aaron Abend** and family may soon be back in the Northeast. ...It is hard to ignore the fact that this is an election year. Therefore, we have a short questionnaire (yet another poll!) for you: 1) What is your current political affiliation? 2) Has it changed since graduation? (If so, how many times?) 3) If the election were today, who would you vote for? (No Pat Paulsen write-ins, please.) Responses may be returned to either of your secretaries (addresses above) or the Harris Agency. We'd love to hear from you—about anything.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Arthur Hancock, Jr. (Lucy Newell), 15 Amber Road, Hingham, MA 02043, and Robert K. Race, 12 Sandpiper Drive, Englishtown, NJ 07726.*

Caren Sjostrom is finishing her Swedish psychologist education, which takes eight years. She teaches "re-evaluation counseling" and gives workshops, mostly for women from all over Scandinavia. Caren lives just outside Stockholm, Sweden, near the woods and the sea, and she has a 9-year-old daughter named Johanna. ...**Lynn Rosik** has been a resident of Oregon since 1978. She received her law degree from the University of Oregon in 1981, and since June of 1986 she has been an assistant attorney general with the Oregon Department of Justice in Salem, Oregon. ...**Kathy Wolf Fabiani** lives in Florence, Italy, and has two chidlren—Sophie Micol (8) and Enrico Mario (4). Kathy has been doing some occasional freelance translating. ...**Tom Stacey** is branch sales manager for TAB Products Company, an office systems manufacturer. He covers the Connecticut, Rhode Island, and western Massachusetts territory. Tom married Pam Roller '80 in 1980; they live in Simsbury, Conn. ...**Sandra Cortes-Hemmerich** lives in Heidelberg, West Germany. She has a daughter named Francisca Elena. They welcome visitors to Germany. ...**Matthew S. Johnson** is a commercial lending officer with First Republic Bank of Austin (Texas). He makes his home in Austin which, he reports, has a mild winter climate great for cycling and year-round swimming in outdoor pools. ...**Jamie Harms** worked in science education and public programs for the Smithsonian Institution for four years, and then she returned to school at the University of Pennsylvania and finished the pre-med curriculum which she started at Middlebury. She is now a junior medical student at the University of Maryland, working hard and having a terrific time. ...**Tom Calcagni** is working for Campaign Marketing Associates, Inc., in Burlington, Vt. The company is a market opinion research firm serving corporate, political, and media clients across the nation. Tom is a graduate of the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University and a former anchorman at WPTZ. ...**Melissa Hochschild** has moved to Los Angeles, Calif., to work on the Apple Computer advertising account at BBDO/LA and to teach scuba diving on the side. ...**Nina Meek** married Brian Kelleghan on December 5, 1987, in Sun Valley, Idaho. Nina is a 1988 graduate of the Pepperdine School of Law, Malibu, Calif. Brian is the chief executive officer of Amforex Securities, Inc., a brokerage firm trading international foreign currencies. He is a graduate of St. Norbert's College in Wisconsin. Nina and Brian are living in Woodland Hills, Calif. ...**Wolf-Dieter Krahn** and wife Mary Lee Krahn '79 have moved from Chicago, Ill., to Jamestown, N.Y. Wolf, a family practitioner, is on the staff of WCA Hospital and has taken over a large geriatric practice and the medical directorship of a nursing home. Mary is assistant pastor of the First Lutheran Church in Jamestown. ...**Amy Stillman Kulig** is managing lawyer of the Enfield, Conn., office of the Legal Aid Society which protects the rights of low-income people. The Enfield Legal Aid office handles about 296 cases per year, is funded with federal money, and is affiliated with the Legal Aid Society of Hartford County. Amy specializes in domestic cases and says that her career strikes a balance between law and social work. ...**Janet Behnken Rawlings** and her family live in Chepstow, Gwent, Wales (United Kingdom). She and husband Steve have two sons, Trevor (5) and Colin (1-1/2). Janet is chairman of two local committees (Action Research for the Crippled Child and the National Childbirth Trust) and active in the parents' association at Trevor's school. ...**Duane Ford**, head football coach at Tufts University, was the guest speaker at the Melrose, Mass., Lions Club's annual Win, Lose, or Draw Banquet honoring the Melrose High School football team on December 7, 1987. Duane has been head coach at Tufts for three years and was voted New England's small college coach of the year in 1986. ...**Jonathan Glascoe**, now a Chicago public television producer, was instrumental in the creation of the video version of *A Child's Christmas in Wales*, a television special which aired in December 1987. Jon used to read the Dylan Thomas poem on the air at WRMC at Middlebury during the Christmas season. Years later, he bought the rights to the work from the Thomas estate and, with the help of two scriptwriters, he transformed the poem into a successful screenplay. ...Hope you all enjoyed Reunion 1988!

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Class Secretaries: *Margaret A. Paine,*

On June 21, 1986, Jan Friedhofer '80 married John Kohl at St. Chrysostom's Church in Chicago. The celebration at the Chicago Racquet Club included (back row, from left) Susie Rohardt Straiter '80, Paul Bishop, Annie Friedhofer '85, the newlyweds, Marjorie Williams '80, Neil Brisson '80, (front row, all class of '80) Stephanie Artner Bishop, Sue Young Bell, Lissa Moran, and Patricia Briggs.

When Bonni Levine and Peter Curran '80 were married in New York City in May 1987, there were several celebrants with Midd connections: Marcy Kent '80, Luis Fernandez '81, Zander Grant , Jan Rennaud '80, (back row) Cindy Bedrosrian, Lillian Fernandez, Scott Fleming '80, Simon Gerlin '80, the newlyweds, Jim Manning '80, Ian Douglas '80 holding son Luke, and Kristin Harris '79. Peter is half way through his internal medicine internship at the University of Chicago. Bonni is completing medical school at SUNY Stony Brook.

Sheri Doyle '80 married Mark Hett (University of Washington '78) on September 26, 1987, in Scituate, Mass. Middlebury was well represented by (back row, from left) Tom Arcidiacono '81, Calvert Seybolt '80, Kevin Ray '78, Otto Matheke '79, (seated, from left) Jane Fletcher '80, the newlyweds, Maura Flynn '79, Sue Tomlin '80, and, in foreground, Art Poltrack '80

On August 16, 1987, Peter A. Hurwitz '81 married Donna Marie Pylman at the Hamilton College chapel. Middlebury friends attending included (from left) Alan Kelley '81, Richard Lamley '75, the newlyweds, James Lindberg '81 (behind newlyweds), Wendy Burrows Brice, Michael Price '81, Marc Flink '77, Paola Bertin, and James Carey '81.

P.O. Box 1522, Manchester Center, VT 05255, and Tiffany Nourse Sargent, P.O. Box 333, Middlebury, VT 05753.

Janet Jones Shipp (625 Fairfield Ave., #108, Bridgeport, CT 06604) has a new job with Clarendon, a commodities trading firm in Stamford, Conn. Before that she worked for Tauck Tours, a wholesale tour operator, as an operations coordinator. Janet married Nathaniel Westley Shipp, Jr., on June 23, 1984. Nate works for Merrill Lynch Mortgage Corporation. Janet gave up dancing professionally four years ago, but keeps in practice with dance classes and at last report a performance was in the offing. ...**Casey O'Brien Blondes** has seen a lot of exciting changes over the past year. Casey and husband Jeffrey's first child, Devin Max O'Brien Blondes, was born on July 12, 1987. "Career milestones pale in comparison to that event," she writes. Casey left Max Factor in Stamford, where she had been director of creative services, when the company relocated to Los Angeles in March. She writes that the decision came from "a combination of the threat of earthquakes and a desire to try something new." Casey, Jeffrey, and Devin were planning an indefinite stay in Paris where Jeffrey, a painter, worked as a freelance art director from 1981 to 1985. ...**Karin Malmstrom** just "resurfaced on this side of the planet at the end of December," after living in Beijing. Karin accepted an offer from her employer—Commercial Metals Company—to leave China for headquarters in Dallas where her address is "The Residences," 3227 McKinney Ave., #12B, Dallas, TX 752204. She will be working in a new department, mainly dealing with the worldwide marketing and trading of aluminum products. She'll also be trying to develop business in Asia for the company. Karin wrote earlier this year that she was "slowly readjusting to American life. It's amazing how many things we take for granted here!" ...**Maggie Paine** ran into (well, not literally) **Jeff Woodman** and KB (Steve Voorhees) '80 on the slopes at Bromley Mountain last winter. Jeff and his wife are living in New York, while KB is back from Alaska and living in Norwalk, Conn., a state much more accessible to less venturesome classmates. KB is working for a sculptor and continuing his own artistic pursuits. ...**Jay Houlihan** also happened to be skiing there on the same day. Anyone else we didn't see? ...We apologize to **Gary Schiff** for the mix-up over his news. For the record, Gary works for Heritage Development Group, Inc., as the director of planning and engineering for a resort called Heritage Greylock in Adams, Mass., his hometown. Both Gary and his wife, Arlene, earned master's degrees in landscape architecture from Harvard University. Arlene is director of community development for North Adams, Mass. They live in Pittsfield, Mass. ...Emily Jayne was born to **John** and **Susan Mochi Hecklau** on March 4, 1987. ...**Jason Rubin** married Deborah Ann Oestreich in January of this year. Jason is now a senior associate at Adams & Rinehart, a public relations firm in NYC, after having received his master's degree from the Sloan School of Management at M.I.T.; wife Deborah received her master's degree in community services from Brandeis. ...The *Lakeville* (Conn.) *Journal* informs us that **David Colbert** fulfilled a life-long desire by taking a three-month trip to Nepal. David has since exhibited some of the photographs from his trip. While photography is a primary hobby, David is working professionally in sculpture. ...**Mary Lee Krahn** continues to be active as assistant pastor of the First Lutheran Church in Jamestown, N.Y. Her commentary on the needs and priorities of the Christmas season appeared in the *Post-Journal Weekender* in Jamestown. ...Also in the news, **Lois Atherton**, resident potter at the Richard Sparrow House of Plimouth Plantation, was again exhibiting her art work (primarily stoneware) at Art Intentions, a fine arts gallery in Hanover, Mass. Last summer Lois won three first-prize awards at area arts festivals. ...Since June '89 will be our 10th Reunion (already?!), we want to be sure to catch up on your latest news and be able to share it with your classmates. Please help us by taking two minutes to complete and return the post cards you'll be receiving!

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Class Secretary: *Melisa B. Stern, 67 Monument Ave., Charlestown, MA 02129, and Macy Lawrence Ratliff, 7540 37th Ave. NE, #203, Seattle, WA 98115.*

As project manager for International Marina Institute, **Mark Aspinwall** coordinates research projects and training seminars for professionals in the marine field. Mark, wife Virginia, and 3-year-old son, Muldoon, live in Jamestown, R.I. ...Louise and **Michael Blaine** are busy running Louise's Country Store, which features an array of creative crafts from artists around the Monadnock region. Most impressive among these items are the wood carvings Michael produces in the Dreamwood Workshop in back of the store. Among his carvings is a life-size bear which stood guard outside the store until it was purchased and moved to a new home. ...Dr. **Tricia Harris** acquired her new title last June when she received her medical degree from UMass. She distinguished herself as the recipient of the American Medical Women's Association citation for scholastic achievement. Tricia is serving her residency in primary care internal medicine at Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge. ...**Phelps Hoyt** has been promoted to a manager in the management consulting department at Price Waterhouse in Boston. ...**Jennifer Foresman Kaler** has joined the Latham, N.Y., office of C.T. Male Associates, an architectural and engineering consulting firm, as a drafter. ...Shun and **Elizabeth Purdy Kanzawa** have returned to the U.S. from Tokyo. They are both working in New York, Elizabeth as assistant vice president at the First National Bank of Chicago, Shun as assistant general manager of the economics department at the Sumitomo Bank, Ltd. ...Mike and **Janet Aylward Piazza** have adapted themselves well to Dallas living, since their migration from Minneapolis last summer. They are both busy with their respective law careers. Janet is with Baker, Mills, and Glast in creditors' rights and bankruptcy law. Mike is a litigator with the firm of Johnson and Swanson. ...Since graduation from Wharton with his MBA last May, **Geoff Plume** has moved to Hartford where he is a private placement bond analyst in the bond investment department at Aetna Life and Casualty. Living in Wethersfield, Conn., he enjoys being back in New England. ...**Al Race** reports he is a freelance writer in Boston, writing articles for "whatever publications are willing to pay me." ...**Tony Romano** has been appointed assistant vice president of the commercial mortgage department at Union Trust Company's New Haven office, where he is responsible for commercial real estate lending. ...**Marion Reynolds**' paintings of panoramic views of downtown Charlottesville have gained her a great deal of notoriety, as well as a $6,000 grant from the Elizabeth Greenshields Foundation of Montreal. This is awarded to young artists to aid them in the early stages of their careers. Marion's studio at the McGuffey Art Center affords her a bird's eye view of the city which she records on immense canvases. Marion's work was on display last summer at the McGuffey Invitational Exhibition. ...Tom '78 and **Pam Roller Stacey** moved last November to a new home in Simsbury, Conn. Pam continues to work for The Travelers in Hartford, while Tom is with a firm specializing in office organization systems. They stay in touch with Don '78 and **Heidi Hunter Siegrist** who live on Boston's north Shore in an older home they are renovating in Amesbury. Heidi is a teacher in Stride Rite's Children Center in Cambridge, while Don travels frequently as a consultant. Pam also has heard from **Melissa Anderson** who was married last November. Melissa and husband Mike Santoski live in Grand Rapids, Mich. ...**James Taylor** has left Middlebury, where he was a visiting professor, to head to Sunrise, Fla., where he is director of Nova

University's sports psychology program. The program provides counseling and seminars for students and coaches. ...**Holly Troxell** is an associate in the New York law firm of Reid and Priest. ...More Class of '80 weddings: **Peter Curran** and Bonni Levine were married last summer in Manhattan. **Simon Gerlin** was in the wedding party and a host of classmates were in attendance. Peter and Bonni are at a new address in Chicago (3750 N. Lake Shore Drive, #8A) where he is half way through his internship in internal medicine at the University of Chicago, having graduated from Columbia Medical School. There will never be a shortage of doctors in the house, as Bonni is finishing her last year of medical school at SUNY Stonybrook, though she is fortunately managing to spend time in Chicago as well. ...**Bob DiLisio** was married to Kelli Ryan at the Mount Holyoke College Chapel. As graduates of Western New England College of Law, both Bob and Kelli are pursuing law careers. (No shortage of lawyers in this household.) Bob is with the firm of Murphy, McCoubrey, Murphy, St. Clair, Gelinas and Stocks in Chicopee, while Kelli is at the Hampden County District Attorney's Office. ...June 21, 1986, was the wedding day of John and **Jan Friedhofer Kohl** in Chicago. **Pattie Briggs** and Annie Friedhofer '85 served as Jan's attendants, while a multitude of other Midd alums were among the well-wishers. They are living in Chicago where Jan is a second vice president responsible for Australia and New Zealand at Northern Trust Bank, while John is a senior money manager and vice president at Harris Bank. (And now a household of bankers; a definite pattern is emerging!) Prior to Christmas, Jan and John hosted a small '80 Chicago dinner party with **Harry** and **Beth Stolley Drucker**, and Dan and **Catharine Fergus Garber**. They attended the Midd-Lake Forest hockey game in January and look forward to other upcoming Midd events planned for the Chicago contingency. ...The Class of '80 continues to be fruitful and multiply, with lots of new family additions. Congratulations to all the new parents and siblings! ...**Paul** and **Nancy Cochran Crochiere** became parents on August 5, 1987, with the birth of their daughter, Danielle. ...Evan, son of Victoire and **Peter Gardner**, became a big brother on September 8, 1987, when his sister, Emma Taittinger, was born. ...A son, Sanderson Walker, joined Tom and **Julie Stabler Hull** on May 29, 1987. ...Lisa and **Denny Lane**'s family grew by one in July when their son, Timothy, joined his big sister, Sarah. Denny is a product marketing specialist with NEC Information Systems in Boxboro, Mass. ...**Chris** and **Linda Cushing McInerney** were blessed with the birth of their son, Matthew Patrick, on December 18, 1987. ...Louise and **Art Poltrack** added a son, John, to their family last July. ...Gary and **Kathryn Sharp Scruggs** are pleased to announce the birth of their second son, Colby Alexander, joining son Tyler. Gary and Kathryn continue working as a husband and wife team, designing and building luxury homes in Weston, Conn. They are also building a new home for themselves in Weston. ...Simmee and **Rich Silton** have been experiencing parenthood since October 28, 1987, when their son, William Joseph was born. ...Steve and **Sally Biggar Terrell**'s family has been growing steadily with daughter Hannah (5) and son Jeffrey (3). On July 9, 1987, baby Claire Courtney was born. Last fall Sally and Steve made a trip from Cleveland to Boston to visit **Sue Follett** and take in the Harvard-Dartmouth game. ...Philippe and **Karen Nicholas Treanton** were joined by Morgane on August 14, 1987. ...Jim and **Valerie Minton Webster**'s daughter, Emily Haven, was born on November 19, 1987. ...Middlebury gatherings and special events have been well attended by our class. One of the most highly-attended events was the Boston holiday party. Class of '80 people present included **Jim Alla, Laura Boucher, Christopher Clark, Sue Coyne, Jane Fletcher, Lori Woodworth Ford, Anna Gebelein, Zander Grant, Madeline Hardart, Joe Kinnealey, Ray Miolla, Missi Stern, John Tisdale, Sue Tomlin, Norah Wallace** and **Tom Ward**. Hope we didn't leave anyone out! Homecoming 1987 was also well attended when the following folks enjoyed a beautiful New England fall weekend: **John Caffry, Anne Colton, Anne Cowherd, Jennifur Fields, Denny Lane, Missy Melaugh Murphy, Missi Stern**, and **Norah Wallace**. ...Our latest world travelers are **Yvette Morrill** and her husband Nobu Kondo, who are spending 1988 traveling around the world. First stop is Australia, then on to New Zealand, Brazil, Europe, and eventually Southeast Asia. They'll spend next year's Christmas holidays in Japan. Yvette and Nobu can be reached at the following address during their travels: c/o Fort Wayne National Bank Trust Dept., P.O. Box 110, Fort Wayne, IN 46801. ...**Doug Pierce** was in Seattle recently on business and filled me (**Macy Lawrence Ratliff**) in on the following news. He is now a pilot for Northwest Airlines and lives in Minneapolis, Minn. On October 20 a daughter, Danielle Nicolle, joined his growing family. ...Secretary Ratliff continues to find Seattle a wonderful place to live. Another fellow graduate student at the University of Washington is working on his post-doctorate. Macy is still working on her master's degree in pediatric audiology along with working on a grant pertaining to interdisciplinary work with hearing-impaired infants and their families. ...We're looking forward to hearing from more of you soon!

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Class Secretaries: *Cynthia L. Strong, 255 E. 23rd St., #19F, New York, NY 10010, and Joshua M. Horowitz, 335 Eastgate Lane, Martinez, CA 94553.*

In New York for the December '87 holiday season (the flowers will be in bloom as this hits your hands, yet we are just recounting the news from the holidays—such are the constraints of magazine deadlines!), Class Secretary **Josh Horowitz** saw some familiar faces. **Tom Cagnina** and Simon Gerlin '80 were seen at the Cagnina family Christmas party. The weather was brisker than the paddle tennis, yours truly being quite rusty. Tom is still with Manny Hanny in private banking. Up in Boston, Josh attended a birthday celebration for **Liz Brooking** who turned an unnamed age (or is it unmentionable?). Liz looked great and was thrilled to see a large Midd turnout in her honor. Attendees included **Elaine Bresnahan Case, Dorsey Milot, Pam Nugent, Marcy Parlow Pomerance** (and husband John '80), and **Sarah Strom**. The party crowd yielded some worthy news items. Elaine and husband Jay have bought a house in Dedham which they plan to do some work on as it is about 100 years old. Both Dorsey and Marcy have changed jobs: Dorsey is once again in the employ of the New York Yacht Club as special events director at their new Newport clubhouse, and Marcy is in public relations at Prime Computer. Pam is working quite hard in Boston as an investment counselor. Sarah is still in Colorado with Pfizer but she is thinking about warmer spots. ...We hear that **Jenny Salmon** (3014 S.E. Salmon St., Apt. C, Portland, OR 97214) has moved south from Washington State to take a job designing information systems for the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. Apparently one of the perks was having the street where she lives named in Jenny's honor! ...**Linda Terry** has her master's and is still enjoying her job with the federal government in D.C. With her church choir she has performed twice on national television and has also performed at the White House for President and Mrs. Reagan. ...Besides her work as a Cook County public defender, **Patricia Martin** has been giving free legal clinics, lecturing in law, and also devoting time to efforts to clean up the notorious election fraud problems in Cook County. ...**Dave Caputi** has joined the faculty of Williams College as an instructor in physical education. Dave served as an assistant football coach and head softball coach for the '87-'88 year. ...September 19, 1987, was the wedding date of **Pam Perrotta** and Daniel Susslin. They will live in Stowe where Pam is in business as a painter/wallpaperer. ...Another wedding was that of **Peter Gould** and

Miriam Altshuler '83 and Tom Mansfield '81 were married on September 6, 1986, at the farm of Miriam's parents in Hillsdale, N.Y. Middlebury friends attending were (standing, from left) John Dickey '82, Karen Moyer Walker '81, Evan Stone '83, Beth Holtzman '82, Ruth Oxenberg '82, the newlyweds, Kevin Granath '81, Danielle Lamm '82, Froma Burack '82, Lisa Simon '82, Mima Nason '82, Jane Oski '82, Lisa Barbash '81, Peter Susser '81, (front row) Eric Rubel '82, Phil Fier '82, Doug Rich '81, Phil Cushman '81, and Neal Lischner '81. Absent from photo were John Hadden '83, Robin Courtney Hadden '83, Francesca DiMauro '83, Jim Gribben '83, and John Jensen '84.

Tom '82 and Cristina Rodriguez Calcagni were surrounded by Middlebury well-wishers following their September 6, 1986, wedding: (from left) Tracy Lyons Rodriguez '81, David Schwartz '82, Wendy Reeves '87, Eric Wilson '84, Virginia Van Vranken '82, Roger Harper '82, the newlyweds, Andy Bennett '82, Chris Beal '82, Brooksie Neal Axelson '82, Chris Axelson '80, Chris Price '82, Jeff Clarke '82, and Dr. John Williams '38.

Homemade ice-cream-makers Mark and Renee Shattuck Haynes were married on March 14, 1987. Their Middlebury classmates that day included (from left) Sue Bayler, Amy Spangler, Renee and Mark, Julie Greer, Vicki Seiden, and Marjorie Harwood Greer '45.

About 22 Middlebury friends were in Philadelphia on June 22, 1986, to celebrate the marriage of Joshua Rabinawitz '84 and Meg Goldner (University of Pennsylvania '86): (from left, behind newlyweds) Tony Flint '84, Rick Tetzeli '83, Jim Burke '84, Sally Guard '84, Mimi Dalbey Tabah '84, Marc Tabah '84, Alfred Mills '84, Nancy McClaran, Ian Martin '84, Paul Quinlan '84, Ham Hackney '84, Ann Gustafson '84, Fain Hackney '83, Brad Frazee '84, Doug Robotham '84, Hillary Stewart '84, Elizabeth Lynch '84, Harriette Brainerd Hackney '83, Richard Morse '84, Grant Dewey '84, David Dove '84, and Meg Parker '84.

Amy Macdonald (Smith '80). Middies attending included **Mike Hoffman, Marie Richardson, Peter Raskin, Carlos Bermudez**, as well as '82ers Judy Folia, Dave Fischer and Carol O'Connor-Fischer, Shirmaine Jones, Debbie Porter, and Becky Buell. The Goulds are residing in Cambridge in an old house which they are renovating. ...**Bruce Morehouse** is still an instructor in natural history at the Hurricane Island Outward Bound School. Bruce passed along that the fifth (or is it sixth?) Midd Annual Gathering was the usual success. The scene was Vinalhaven Island and a good time was had by **Ben Roe, Linda Feldmann Roe, Jenny Lanes, Judy Madoff, Holly Higinbotham, Tom Arcidiacono, Lynda Dupre**, and **Carol Englar** from our class. Others included Lee Adams '80, Maura Flynn '79, and Steve Boxer '82. ...We hear that **Elaine King** has migrated north from Dallas back to Boston. ...**Dave Einhorn** finished his MBA and has joined *The New York Times* in their marketing department. ...That's the news, folks! Please keep the information flowing.

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Class Secretaries: *Polly B. Mitchell, 63 E. Broad St., Hopewell, NJ 08525, and Stephen P. Kiernan, Box 616, 31 Fiddler's Lane, Newtonville, NY 12128.*

Jane Oski is grinding away at her first year of Johns Hopkins Medical School in Baltimore. ...Also on the M.D. path, **Debra Johnson Swartz** began Mayo Medical School in Rochester, Minn., last fall. ...Meanwhile, **Margaret Miller** completed her doctorate in counseling psychology last May. Dr. Miller is now interning in adolescent and family therapy in the child care unit of the South Shore Mental Health Center. Margaret spent four and one-half weeks in South Africa visiting relatives last summer but now she's settled back in Boston. ...Back on the school front, **Priscilla Coburn** is concentrating her studies in finance and international business at U. of Chicago's MBA program. ...And after four and a half years of large systems marketing at IBM, **Stephen Kiernan** has moved to Iowa City to attend the Iowa Writers Workshop. Steve plans to be in NYC this summer, working at Warner Publishing. ...Also on the move, **David Levy** recently returned to New England (33 Sleeper St., #103, Boston, Ma 02210) after four years in Florida. After earning his master's in real estate and urban analysis at the University of Florida, Dave worked in public facilities development (civic centers, etc.) for Laventhol and Horwarth Real Estate. Dave is a market analyst for Liberty Real Estate Corporation. Dave loves being back home and catching up with old Midd chums. ...Speaking of chums, **Rebecca Buchthal** and **Caleb Hemphill** were married in June of '87. Rebecca is doing a residency in internal medicine at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston, while Caleb is finishing up a master's program at the Harvard School of Public Health. ...Other wedding bells: **Carolyn Jenkins** married Steven Weitz in November with a Middlebury gang to see them down the aisle: Bill Wagner '53, Janet Schongar Wagner '53, **Sheila Creamer**, and **Polly Mitchell**. Carolyn and Steve are living in Deerfield Beach, Fla., where Carolyn works for a Marriot subsidiary and Steve owns a warehouse-sized bookstore. ...**Al Wagman** recently moved from Hartford, Conn., to Poughkeepskie, N.Y. (Apt. 51B, Jackman Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603; 914-454-9804). Al is now a group sales manager for Filene's new store there, overseeing half the departments. ...**Sarah Gage** has joined Gage and Company, a Pasadena-based consulting company. Sarah will be directing the firm's marketing activities, in addition to handling administrative and research duties. The firm provides financial, business planning, and marketing assistance services. ...**Elizabeth Trucksess** is living in Philadelphia, where she divides her time between modeling, writing a novel, and working in the family electric sign manufacturing business. She's working with accounts like Marriot, National Bank of Detroit, Ground Round, etc. ...In all, a busy crew, this Class of '82. But the rest of you—are you too busy to drop a line and bring your classmates up to date?

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Class Secretaries: *Elizabeth Sprague Shields, 2744 N. Marmora, #2, Chicago, IL 60639, and Kenneth F. Edwards, 18 Admirals Way, Chelsea, MA 02150.*

Anne Sudkamp is taking some time off from her two master's programs—Russian at Middlebury and anthropology at the University of Alaska—to build a cabin in Fairbanks. Anne and **Mindy Baum** were planning a March mountain trip. ...**Andy** and **Yuki Matano Gray** are studying U.S./Asian relations at Columbia. ...**Margaret Babbott** is also at Columbia in the clinical psychology doctoral program. ...**Allesandra Usefoff** is managing a NYC art gallery. ...**Maria Bell-Salter** was appointed to coordinate community art exhibits during the May International Festival's 1988 salute to the UK in Memphis. ...**Peter** and **Siobhan Leahy Ulrich** have left homey Dublin, N.H., and relocated to sunny California. Pete is a teacher at Robert Louis Stevenson School in Pebble Beach, and Siobhan is an escrow officer at Fidelity National Title Insurance Company in Carmel. ...**Jeff Thomsen** is head coach of men's lacrosse and assistant soccer coach at UVM. ...**Jeff Moger** is teaching history and Bible in the upper division of The Master's School in Simsbury, Conn. ...Also working to better the youth of America is **Dave Magnus** who is teaching history and coaching basketball and track at Cincinnati Country Day. Dave received his master's in history at the University of Maryland. ...**Miriam Altshuler** and Tom Mansfield '81 were married on September 6, 1987. Miriam is a literary agent at Russell and Volkening, Inc. ...**Jennifer Lea Baker Dotti** gave birth to Florian Dotti in Nice, France, on July 15, 1987. ...A good turnout for the '87 Boston Christmas Party included **Andy Factor, Bart Gummere, Dave MacKinnon, Leslie Smith**, and **John Weeks**. Leslie has started her own sports marketing firm, Cascade Enterprises, Inc. Best of luck with your venture, Les! ...After graduating from HBS in May '86, **Lyndel Roubos** moved to Phoenix and married Michael Manson (HBS '87). She is working as a national accounts manager with DuPont's Blood Processing business. **Keli McMenamy-Lynch** and **Pam Kapsimalis** were at Lyndel's wedding. Keli and her husband, Lawrence, are living in Paris with daughter Meaghan (born August '86). Pam is now a full-fledged lawyer, working and getting a further degree in tax law. ...**Mark Hughes** joined the faculty at St. Paul's college preparatory school last fall. He was formerly a financial analyst and specialist in global fiduciary services for Bankers Trust Company.

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Class Secretaries: *Elizabeth L. Hackett, 406 Lombard St., Philadelphia, PA 19147, and William R. Hathaway, 814 E. Kensington Blvd., #1, Shorewood, WI 53211.*

Josh Rabinowitz married Meg Goldner on June 22, 1986, in Philadelphia, Pa., with a Middlebury contingent of 22! (Some news gets to us later than other news.) ...**Betsy Stone** is studying public health at Columbia. ...**Deborah Hannon** is also at Columbia studying international relations. ...**Bill Walter** is pursuing a Ph.D. in physics at Nevada Reno. ...Congratulations to **Dave Jamieson** who married Engracia Laguna Gallego in Spain in August 1984. Now working for Mexican Airlines in San Antonio, Texas, he is also the proud father of a little girl named Marina. ...Will whoever is sending updates from the Bronx Zoo please identify yourself. ...**Peter Elwell** was married to Wendy Harrison in Brattleboro, Vt., on August 29, 1987. Both received

Cowboys on Everest

"It's not just about bagging the peak and leaving," says Daniel Pryor '83. "We want to bring the experience back 'alive' to as many Americans as possible," says James Robinson '84.

The two are members of the Wyoming Centennial Everest Expedition (WCEE), which, in September, will attempt to place six climbers—including the first two American women to summit Everest—atop the 29,028-foot peak. The expedition promises to place "Cowboys on Everest" and is timed to celebrate Wyoming's centennial, although its participants come from almost every corner of the country. Pryor, who will be the base camp manager, is a rangy outdoorsman who spends the week dressed in a suit, developing real estate at Bolton Valley, Vermont. Robinson, who will be a support climber, is a burly blond who works for Capital Institutional Services out of Dallas, Texas.

"We are really faced with three Everests," says Robinson. "The first is to get the trip funded, the second is to get in shape, and the third is to actually climb the mountain—all of which seem equally difficult!"

It has been said that for every person who has summited Mt. Everest, another has died trying. Pryor admits, "Danger is a very real reason why people climb." But this 34-member expedition—led by Courtney Skinner, of Pinedale, Wyoming—will emphasize teamwork and safety. In contrast to the quick, no-oxygen, "alpine" style climbs currently in vogue among international climbers, the WCEE will use oxygen, fixed-ropes, support teams, and a chain of secure camps up the ridge. Pryor describes the effort as "a bit like a military operation."

The WCEE will approach Everest from the north, through China and Tibet, and will follow the Mallory-Irvine route (1924) from the Rongbuk Glacier up the northeast ridge. Camp VII, at 28,000 feet, will be the highest camp ever established on Mt. Everest. The team will leave the U.S. in late July (after the June Monsoon) and be on the mountain from mid-August to mid-October. Summit attempts are scheduled for September 23-27, 1988.

The expedition will cost almost $1 million to mount, and each team member is expected to raise $20,000, including a $5,000 pledge of his or her own money. The expedition requires 10,000 pounds of food, 4,000 pounds of equipment, 2,000 pounds of oxygen, plus a lot more for the 60-day ascent. The climb has been endorsed by New York's Explorer's Club, and corporate sponsors—like Holiday Inn and Tandy Computers—have been pitching in. Pryor and Robinson have been hosting fundraisers in New York and Washington, D.C. "I must say it weighs a lot on you," says Robinson. "When you're trying to hold down a job and get in shape, the money is always in the back of your mind. You keep coming back to that key word: commitment."

On the mountain Pryor will play a crucial role as Base Camp Manager, a job he's been training for, in effect, since he was a 14-year-old camper (eventually group leader) at the Skinner Brother's Wilderness School in Wyoming. "I'm the boss at the bottom of the mountain," says Pryor. "That means I'll do everything I can to help these guys get to the top and down safely." Pryor will climb to 25,000 feet, but most importantly, he will coordinate the flow of men and material on the mountain, and will be responsible for sustaining the group's morale for three months. "When someone comes into a tent, exhausted, I'm the one who's going to get his clothes off and get him into a sleeping bag. I'll cook him a meal, have water ready, tell him a joke, whatever."

Dan Pryor '83 and Jim Robinson '84 will be part of the Wyoming Centennial Everest Expedition this summer.

Robinson—who is now training with a Dallas Cowboys football team coach—is one of 16 support climbers who will ferry supplies up from Camp III (Yak trains will ferry 4,200 pounds of equipment between base camp and Camp III, at 23,000 feet). He will go as far as Camp VI, at 26,902 feet: "I'm purely a grunt," he says. "I'm there for my legs and lungs, and I'm expected to haul weight safely."

The goals of the expedition go beyond simple conquest of the peak. The team will include two high school students, a teacher, a photographer, a painter, and a writer. Although they will not stay long and won't do much climbing, this group will have an unusual insider's view of a major Everest expedition, and will be there to record and pass on the experience. The WCEE plans to transmit television, radio, and print communications from Everest, making use of an IMARSAT satellite link.

Tibet has been open to Westerners since 1981, but so far only cursory scientific work has been done on the northeast side of Everest (known as *Chomolungma*, or Mother Goddess of the Land, in Tibetan). The WCEE plans to bring geologists to study the mountain from its base up to Camp VII at 28,000 feet, and a doctor to study acute mountain sickness, the second greatest cause of death in the mountains after avalanches.

When Robinson and Pryor return to the States, they plan to take their experience on the road. "I'm going to talk and show slides to as many little town meetings, rotaries, and bridge clubs as I can find," says Pryor, who also plans to write a book on the WCEE.

As political tensions between the Chinese and Tibetans rise and the day of departure approaches, Pryor and Robinson express a healthy nervousness. "We all have Everests," says Pryor. "And climbing's like anything else. You have to define your goal, then systematically go about achieving that goal. It's one step at a time. One camp at a time. Seven camps up the mountain. You've got to keep building."

—Alex Prud'homme '84

The wedding of Diana Sunderland '84 and Michael Prise was celebrated at the Quidnessett Country Club in North Kingstown, R.I., on September 13, 1987. Many Class of '84 friends were there for the occasion, including (from left, seated) Mark Martin, Julie Andrews, Betsy Stone, the newlyweds, Dave Jamieson and daughter Marina Jamieson and wife Engracia Jamieson, (standing) Chuck Theobald, Becky Bayless Theobald, Lisa Olsson '85, Bill Harrington, Ginny Wolnowicz '84, Ernesto Bergeron, Pam Flodman, John Fairbairn, Heidi Visser, and Melissa Pineault Read.

Suzanne Duncan and Craig Simmonds, both '86, were married on March 26, 1988, in Washington, D.C. The Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, Md., was the scene of their reception which included quite a few Midd faces: (back row, from left) David Brown '85, Kathryn Cater '86, Laurie Harper '86, Mary Sue Holland '86, Jill Warren '86, Sean Jenkinson '86, Sylvi Allen '81, Peter Duncan '80, Chris Duncan '85, Adam Greenleaf '86, Tim Rahr '85, Doug Stolberg '85, Jim Ammeen '85, (front row) Alex Williams '91, Macon Morehouse Gasque '86, the newlyweds, Lisa Eddy '86, and Jamie O'Brien '85.

master's degrees in government admnistration at the University of Pennsylvania. They reside in Palm Beach, Fla., where Peter is an administrative assistant to the town manager. ...**Cindy Morrison** and her husband, Bosse, moved 20 miles north of Lund, Switzerland, last year. Cindy has been working as a Montessori preschool teacher as well as teaching English-speaking kids. She has also been writing newspaper articles for the *Nordstjerna*, the oldest Swedish newspaper in the States. ...**Cindy King** married Alan Guffey on January 2, after finishing her work at Princeton Divinity School. She and Alan will be living in Germany through the summer of 1988. ...In San Francisco, **Margot Mann** is completing a degree in counseling. ...On May 21, **Sarah Ball** married Rich Dalberg in Georgia. She is now at the School of Natural Resources in Ann Arbor. ...**Helen Carpenter** is at Yale Divinity School in New Haven. ...**Diana Sunderland** married a physicist from Scotland last September. She works as a credit analyst in the corporate finance department of a Japanese bank in NYC; her husband is employed at AT&T Bell Labs in Holmdel, N.J.

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Class Secretaries: *Katherine Champion, 85 Phillips St., #5, Boston, MA 02114, and Andrew Gluck, 61 Unity Ave., Belmont, MA 02178.*

The December '87 holiday season brought many of our classmates together for great times and catching up with old friends. The Boston reception had an especially high turnout. ...**Sarah Dunlap** is happy with her work as a geologist/cartographer with Groundwater Technology in Norwood, Mass. ...**Rick King** is busy at the First National Bank of Boston, serving as a commercial loan officer. ...**Eileen Minnefor**, who is slugging it out at Harvard Law School, has seen **Christina Bailar**. ...**Laura Ottaviano** is planning on business school next fall; **Brenda Birmann** is looking forward to graduate school, too. ...**Dave Shaw** enjoys his work, creating a newsletter for a major Boston investment firm. ...**Pete Lamson** is also active in the investment business as a broker for Advest. ...Others at the Boston reception included **John Denny** (advertising in Providence), **Jenny Karin, Cynthia Martin, Anna Rubin**, and **Martha Witbeck**. ...**John Cahill, Cathy Gianelly**, and **Alice Vail** attended parents weekend in October to visit with younger siblings on campus. **Tom Bright, Rebecca Liston**, and **Peter Maust** joined the others I mentioned last column at Homecoming. ...**Sarah Buffum** and **Anne Davis Peterson** strutted their stuff against the varsity field hockey team in an alumni challenge, while **Karen Handelsman** and **Mark McInerney** joined other Midd alums in watching the pros—baseball, that is—at a Mets game in NYC. ...President Robison's lecture in Washington, D.C., brought **Tom Nuovo, Jodie Silverman**, and **Christopher Lande** together. **Karen Heggen** (an admissions associate at Hartwick College) and **Craig Russ** attended Alumni Leadership Weekend and the Class Agents Luncheon, respectively. ...Back on the Boston scene, a party thrown by the Boston Young Alumni Club at the Paradise brought out a stellar Midd turnout. Among those attending were **Gretchen Loomis, Paul Curhan, Lynne Hermann, Betsy Saunders, Marcia Sullivan**, and **Martha Himes**. Gretch and Paul later enjoyed great skiing in Austria. ...The Alumni Office reports the marriage of **Laura Thrall** and Kenneth Kaufman '83. Their address is 320 E. 46th St., #5C, New York, NY 10017. ...**Daxing Zhang** has several bit parts in the Bernardo Bertolucci movie, *The Last Emperor*, which opened late last fall. He appears as one of the communist jailers in attendance while the last emperor is undergoing what the communists delicately call "thought reform." Daxing called the Alumni Office on October 15, 1987, a call he was able to afford because he had been a translator for NBC when *The Today Show* was in China. He did not appear on camera and they declined his offer to play his harmonica. (Obviously their audience's loss.) He sent his best wishes to all his friends and looks forward to seeing them. When asked what we could send him, he promptly replied, "Ben & Jerry's." Certainly sounds as though he has not lost his sense of humor. ...**Annie Faulkner** writes, "Off on another adventure: the Andes of Peru and Ecuador for travel, fun, research? climbing? Via Antartica, Tierra Del Fuego, Patagonia. If I come home as planned, it'll be back to Seattle to finish my master's, play in the Cascades, and ponder the next move. WARD and RAJ—do we still have a date for 1990?" Annie's address, when you can catch her, is P.O. Box 85656, Seattle, WA 98145. ...**Doug White** has begun training with the Peace Corps in Antigua, Guatemala, in preparation for his two-year volunteer assignment. Working as a forestry extension agent, he will be setting up a program to educate Guatemalans in how to stop deforestation and erosion, proper use of firewood, replanting techniques, and harvesting. Doug said, "After graduation I decided to travel overseas. The low budget tromping through Asia, living in cheap hotels with roaches and mosquitos did not bother me much. In fact, the different conditions and interesting people of the developing countries swelled my wishes to return and offer my services as a volunteer." Way to go, Doug! ...**Emily Johnston** (4739 Thackeray Place, N.E., Seattle, WA 98105) writes, "Spent last winter working as a rafting guide in New Zealand, traveling in Oceania and the Middle East. Spent last summer working for Orion Expeditions, Inc., which is based in Seattle. Presently working as a professional ski patrol at Crystal Mountain, Wash. Will be working for Pacific Crest Outward Bound this summer as an instructor." ...**Karen Siatras** will soon be leaving her job at the National Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Institution, to live in Toulouse, France, with Joan Merriam '86. After that she'll enroll in art school. Her D.C. address: 2726 Connecticut Ave., #204, Washington, DC 20008. ...**Shelagh Connor** has moved from her position as a PR assistant and media director at Sandage Advertising and Marketing, to staff writer for the St. Michael's College public relations office. ...**Stephanie Ullrich** is a financial analyst at Continental Illinois Bank. ...**Chris Powell** has opened a camera store and color film processing lab at the Topsham Fair Mall in Topsham, Maine. ...You've been very patient, New Yorkers. **Lisa Olsson** is still at the Bank of America but plans to attend business school in the fall. ...Both **Don Hall** and **John Owen** are doing extremely well at their respective advertising agencies. ...**Mimi Harding** works in the world of retail and has moved to Brooklyn with her sister. ...**Maura Riccobene** is an account manager for *U.S. News and World Report*. ...**Dale Sailer** and **Tom Palmer** are roommates in Jersey. They joined **Heather Henderson**, and **Andy** and **Kim Davis Gluck** for dinner in Middlebury during Alumni Winter Weekend. ...Please call Kim and Andy's number in Belmont, Mass., with any news: 617-489-4121.

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Class Secretaries: *Suzanne Duncan Simmonds, P.O. Box 348, East Middlebury, VT 05740, and James H. Bromley, Jr., 150 E. 93rd St., #2C, New York, NY 10128.*

Reports from '86 alumni are scarce—everyone must have been in hiding during the winter months. ...**Brad Schildt** wrote another Colorado update on Midd alums out there. He traveled around the world for five months, visiting England, Scotland, Denmark, the Netherlands, India, Nepal, Thailand, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, and Hawaii. He returned to Boulder for two months before heading east to search for a job in investment banking. While in Boulder, Brad saw **Bruce Genereaux** who is at the Colorado School of Mines in the mineralogy MBA program. Brad and Spud had an "unforgettable Halloween night on the Mall with 30,000 other lunatics." ...**Mark "Zulu" Wiener** was in Honolulu pre-

When Cynthia King '84 married Alan Guffey on January 2, 1988, attendees from the Middlebury included (from left) Rich Staples '84, Jennifer McConnell '84, Bill DuBois '84, Allison Wheatley '84, Karin Bloom Heffernan '82, Mike Heffernan '82, Kris Smith, and Helen Carpenter '84. Not present for the photograph were Pete '57 and Sue Lewis Read '58. Cynthia and Alan, who met at Princeton Tehological Seminary, both plan to enter the ministry.

Middlebury celebrants at the December 27, 1987, marriage of Maura Herlihy and Michael J. Kennealey '86 (foreground) included (second row, from left) Lisa Coe '87, Jenni Blake '86, Sue Whitty '86, Kim O'Sullivan '87, (back row) Bill Eschert '87, Wyman Briggs '86, Andy Ellicott '86, Larry Eighmy '86, Kenny Grant '86, Allan Jones '86, Kate Wallace '86, Paul Brochu '86, Andy Bucknam '86, and Joe Kinnealey '80.

Middlebury sports were well represented at the August 8, 1988, wedding of Kyra and Al Smiley '87: (front row, from left) Scott Langerman '87, Chris Dayton '87, Bill Tucker '87, Joe Ganley '87, Paul Bottino '87, the newlyweds, John Castle '87, Chris Hopkins '87, Mark Schille '87, (back row) Peter Kohn, Mark Williams '87, Cam McClearn '87, Steve Kirkpatrick '87, John Devine '87, Paul Davis '87, John Zehner '87, Liam Patterson '87, Sean Dunphy '87, Brian Smith '87, and Sarah Hebb '87.

paring to head east to work for the Dukakis Presidential Campaign. ...**Sean Jenkinson** was selling cars, but plans to begin work as a paralegal before starting law school. ...**Jill Warren** is still at Colorado Law doing quite well. ...Tara Sevareid '87 writes from Denmark where she is looking for a job while cheering on **Scott Farr** and his hockey team. Scott is one of the team's top scorers and at last report the team had won 7 of 8 games. ...**Jim Ferrari** is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Minnesota in the ecology/paleoecology department. He has seen a few Midd alums, including **Maura Webber** and **Beckie Fuller**, and he ran into **Becky Hart** at a Twins game last fall. ...**Elizabeth Needham** is back in Toronto getting a master's in British history. She sees **Jacqui Ballenger** once in a while. ...**Lisa Eddy** got promoted to senior media planner with Colgate at Young and Rubicam. ...Seen at the December holiday party in Boston were **Ann Albern, Deirdre Buckley, Lisa Cheney, Elizabeth Cromwell, Cindy Davis, Tom Farrell, Kenny Grant, Laura Gworek, Tara Hartnett, Jane Hoffman, Allan Jones, George Leonard, Melissa Marquardt, Brad Nelson, Chris Otto, Helena Paulin, Dave Potier, Erin Quinn, Heather Robbins, Laura Schlotman, Ginnie Thomas, Kate Wallace**, and **Mike Wood. Jenni Blake** and **Heather Pierce** represented the class at the alumni holiday reception in Middlebury. Let us know of your upcoming plans!

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Class Secretaries: *Dorothy S. Paynter, 345 East 84th St., New York, NY 10028, and John K. Zehner, Box 4207, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

Many '87s came back to the friendly confines of Midd to send off the members of the Class of '87.5, or in other words the February Febresh, in grand style. The second annual Snow Bowl graduation was a spectacular success and all who participated had a great time. Congratulations and welcome aboard to all new Class of '87 inductees: **Pete Ahl, Robert Aichele, Steve Baker, Anne Bodkin, Brad Brown, Jake Brown, Sallie Bryan, Bob Bua, Caolyn Cavalier, Mario Celentani, John Charles, Martha Clark, Glenn Cleveland, Mary Beth Costello, Jen Cote, Anne Marie Dowd, Hilary Farquar, Evan Flinn, Thom Hand, Cory Hawryluk, Annie Heisler, Edith Iler, J. Douglas Johnson, William Kirby, Janice Kopp, Faith Lamb, Lawrence Lane-Zucker, Meredith Mashburn, Scott McLellan, Andy McPhail, Cici Mulder, Craig Pattee, Dave Pilkey, Ashley Ransom, Kelley Regan, Julie Rochat, Patrick Reinkemeyer, Davis Roberts, Phil Simonides, Brenran Starkey, Scott Stone, Jen Sudduth, Tim Weed, Eric Westergard, Brian Wiliams**, and **Janet Zawadsky**. Many other '87s gathered that weekend to watch the festivities, including **Kate Gitter, Patty Ricciardelli, Doug Burdett, Mark Schille, Cam McClearn, Kevin Levitas, Sue Steinle, Peter Britz, Scott Langerman, Charlie Burchard, Heidi Ostrander, Paula Ricciardelli**, and **Ellen Sheffield**. Patti has a new job working for Children's Hospital. Ellen Sheffield flew in for the festivities all the way from St. Louis where she is beginning a management trainee program. ...In other news, **Tim O'Connor** reports that life is treating him just fine in Buffalo, N.Y., where he is in "sales," as he puts it. ...After a brief stint in the world of professional indoor soccer in Fort Wayne, Ind., **Chris Parsons** has returned to his home state of Connecticut. Rumor has it that he is sharing living quarters with **Mike Brown** who is still teaching and coaching. ...**Danny Gilbert** is also teaching and coaching out in Sacramento, Calif. Dan's team has won only three games this year, but claims things are looking up and that he will soon have a dynasty going. ...Also in the sports world, **Dorcas Denhartog** competed in the Olympics, and we ain't talking the Stewart Olympics here, folks, we're talking Calgary. Dorcas did an outstanding job and was the top American finisher in the 20k race. ...Speaking of Calgary, **Sally Evans** was heard regularly and seen occasionally on ABC from Calgary, where she was apparently their only translator. She was later back on campus working for Michael Claudon and was going to Seoul in the summer for NBC. ...**Kirsten Suokko** has started working in Rep. Gerry Stubbs office in Washington, D.C. ...**Tammie Worthington** has recently undertaken a two-year Church of the Brethren volunteer service assignment with the Polish Agricultural Exchange in Poland. ...**Charlie Burchard**, who recently returned from Europe, has been doing construction work in Burlington while looking for other work. ...**Al Smiley** is working for his master's in English at the University of Virginia. He is also an assistant lacrosse coach. ...**Vinny Ziccolella** is reportedly studying law at the University of Delaware. (Hey, Vin, give us a call to verify this.) ...**Galen Scott** is working for Brown Bros. Harriman & Co. in New York City. ...**Paul Davis** is living in Hingham, Mass., and selling "computahs" (in his own words). ...On the Middlebury scene are four members of the Class of '87: **Steve Kirkpatrick, Joe Ganley, John Castle**, and **John Zehner**, with a little help from Martin Beatty '84, Bob Ritter '82, and coach Bob Smith won this year's intramural basketball championship defeating a bunch of youngsters by two points in the finals. ...**Rachel Simpson** wins a camper-of-the-week award for writing

John '85 and Susan Kretschmar Greenbaum '86 celebrated their marriage on July 25, 1987, in Vancouver, Wash., (above) with Betsy Moore '86, Sue Rockwell '86, the newlyweds, Mary Cleveland '86, Reid Larson '85, and Laura Rice Cootsona '86. Their East Coast reception on August 22, 1987, in Kittanning, Pa., included Peter Holm '85 (holding daughter Abbey), Kathy MacMillan '86, Mary Sue Holland '86, Helen Hammond '83, Scott Mackey '85, the newlyweds, Steph Lieberman '86, and John LaVecchia '85.

The '86 turnout was impressive for the wedding of '86ers Jennifer Iles and Jeffrey Seavey on October 3, 1987: (from left) Kathryn Cater, Steve Martus, Steve Reilly, Margaret Sutherland, Andy Miller, Todd Smith, Jenny Sutton, Nancie Ravenel, George Leonard, Carroll Cummings, Emily Conant, Kris Roberts, Ilene Lovesky, Betsy Moore, Shelly Rathbun, Tara Hartnett, Barbara Barry, Dirk Jacobs, Ceci Thoren, Chris Coates, Amy Snyder, Tom Mellow, Sue French, Mary Sue Holland, Rob Luebbers, Debbie Porter, Cathy Perillo, John Briggs, Deb Vehse, Naomi Greer, Andy Dale, Chris Langlois, Laurie Harper, and Cinny Eberts.

to us all the way from Katmandu. She and **Shannon Seaton** and **Kathy Sloane** have been traveling the Southern Hemisphere. Shannon and Kathy are still in Australia, as is **Kathryn Carpenter**. ...**Jen Kirkman** is in Mexico working at an orphanage. ...Other '87s in foreign lands include **Dave Case**, teaching English in Tokyo, and **Tal Birdsey** in Taiwan. **Steve Kirkpatrick** is heading to Australia to play lacrosse. ...In other sports news, **John Zehner** is goin to London to play professional football in the Budweiser League. ...Back in the States, **Catherine Lumsden** was in her first New York play recently. ...**Alex Van Praagh** and **Carolyn Porter** are working at Architects Collaborative in Boston. ...**Kate Sly** is working in a think tank in Washington, D.C. ...**Gretchen Young** is working in Telluride, Colo. ...**Heather McConnell** is reporting for a local paper in Portsmouth, N.H. ...**Georgette Csobaji** is paralegaling in New York City, but thinking about becoming a journalist. ...**Liz Pratt** is teaching biology in New Canaan, Conn. ...**Gaby Geutner** is in Virginia at a hotel training program. ... **Scott Chrysler** is just outside of West Point teaching school. ...A few '87s couldn't get enough learning and are back at various schools: **Amy Sylvester** is at George Washington Law; **Mike Ehrenstein** is at University of Miami Law; **Dan Treiber** is at MIT; **Mike Kaufman** is studying physics at Johns Hopkins; **Liz Bogley** is at Northeastern Law; and **Eileen Angelini** is at Brown, getting her Ph.D. in French. ...**Misa Burnett** is working for a computer firm in Cambridge, Mass. ...**Lauren O'Brien** is working in Boston in investments. ...**Tammy Tompkins** and **Joan Crooks**, after a fall of traveling have settled down in the New York metropolitan area. ...**Patty Lawton** and **Morgan Barnes** are out rockin' and rollin' in San Francisco. ...**Carol Scarbeau** is learning about advertising while living in North Carolina. ...We urge you all to follow **Rachel Simpson**'s example and write us when you have any news. And once again, to all newcomers, welcome to '87—the class made in heaven.

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Class Secretaries: *Pam Lawson, RD 1, Middlebury, VT 05753, and Jim Calise, 2731 Stoneridge Ct., Hudson, OH 44236.*

The deadline for this issue was before Commencement and we weren't even alumni yet. Our first informative column, we hope, will be in the autumn issue of the *Magazine*. Please send any and all information about you and your friends (jobs, marriages, travel plans, get-togethers, etc.) to the above class secretaries. We look forward to hearing from you. Have a great summer!

OBITUARIES

1906 Justin M. Ricker, 102, of St. Petersburg, Fla., on October 24, 1987. For the last several years of his life, Mr. Ricker was the College's oldest living alumnus, and the last surviving member of the Class of 1906. He came to Middlebury from the Waterbury, Vt., High School. In college he was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity and was the manager of the baseball team. After graduating with honors in chemistry, Mr. Rickers pursued a career of nearly 50 years' duration as a science teacher and coach. For more than 40 years he served the city of Bridgeport, Conn., as a staff member first at Bridgeport High School and from 1925 to 1955 at Warren G. Harding High School. Mr. Ricker did graduate work at Yale University and Columbia University, and earned a master's degree from New York University in 1922. He was one of the founders of the University of Bridgeport, and was a member of its board of trustees. For 30 years he wrote his own stock market letter. He retired to St. Petersburg in 1955. He was a life master in bridge, and was past president and honorary life member of the American Contract Bridge League. Mr. Ricker's generosity to Middlebury was legendary, as was his ability to enlist the support of others. For his years of service to Middlebury, he was awarded the Alumni Plaque in 1962. Survivors include two nephews, Daniel Ricker of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Robert Ricker of Calabash, N.D.; and a niece, Beth Neithold.

1918 Walbridge Fullington, 94, of Bradenton, Fla., on December 31, 1987. Mr. Fullington came to Middlebury from high school in Johnson, Vt. He was decorated for bravery during his service with the U.S. Army in France during World War I. Mr. Fullington completed his Middlebury degree in 1920. He majored in history and English and was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity; he went on to earn a master's degree from the Bread Loaf School of English in 1923. He was a much-loved and respected member of the faculty at the Bordentown, N.J., Military Institute for 46 years. He served the school as department head of social studies, history, and public speaking. A member of the First Baptist Church of Bordentown, where he served on the board of deacons for many years, he was also a member of Mount Moriah Lodge No. 28, F&AM, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Trenton, and Crescent Temple. He was a past commander of Bordentown's American Legion Post 26. Mr. Fullington was predeceased by his wife, the former Fannie Westover, and a daughter, Catherine Fullington Forrest. He is survived by two sisters, Helen Buchanan of Florida, and Mabel Nickelson of California.

1919 Laura M. Fales, 90, of Kenneth City, Fla., on August 1, 1987. Miss Fales came to Middlebury from the high school in Medway, Mass. A German major, she was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority, and was active with many campus organizations, including the Deutscher Verein, which she served as president during her senior year. After graduation, Miss Fales pursued a career in teaching. She taught at the Barbour Intermediate School in Detroit, Mich., for 30 years. She was a member of the Michigan Retired Teachers Association. Survivors include a brother, James B. Fales of Jenson Beach, Fla.; a sister, Alice Fales O'Connor '28, also of Kenneth City; and several nieces and nephews.

1923 Leslie Harold Dunnells, of Napa, Calif., date of death unknown. Preparing for college at Hardwick (Vt.) Academy, he attended Middlebury in the academic year 1918-19, and later received his degree from Colorado State Teachers College. He became an athletic coach and teacher in schools in Colorado, Nevada, and California. In 1922 he married Isabelle Griffith '16, who predeceased him. They had two daughters, Vera Eckrote and Marcia Smith.

1925 Fred John Herzig, 90, on February 13, 1988, in Hartford, Conn. After preparing for college at Arms Academy, at Middlebury he was a pitcher on the baseball team and a member of the College Choir and the Glee Club. He received a Master's of Science and Education from the Univeristy of New Hampshire in 1931, and he did graduate work at Yale University. He was a member of Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Phi Kappa fraternities. He later received his doctorate in philosophy from the University of Connecticut in 1953. Fred was a former science teacher and past chairman of the science department at Hall and Conard high schools and an athletic director at Simsbury High School. He was a faculty member at Central Connecticut State College and the University of Hartford where he taught graduate school law. Fred was a member of Simsbury United Methodist Church, a former chairman of the Simsbury board of education, and clerk of the Simsbury board of finance. His wife, Lura Barnes Herzig, and a son, Stanton Herzig, both predeceased him. The Class of '25 extends its deepest sympathy to his daughter, Mrs. Lois Charron, of Glastonbury, Conn., seven grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

—Donald Banks '25

1926 W. Ransom Rice, 83, of Lewiston, N.Y., on November 16, 1987. Except for his four years in college, Mr. Rice spent his entire life in Niagara Falls, N.Y. He was the son of Robert L. Rice '98 and Lina Ransom Rice. At Middlebury he majored in economics and was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He was a four-year member of the football and basketball teams. Mr. Rice went on to a lifelong career in real estate and insurance. He was associated with the Cary-Rice Real Estate and Insurance Agency, which eventually became Rice & Company Insurance. A member of the Niagara Falls Area Board of Realtors for more than 50 years, he was also a member and past deacon of the First Presbyterian Church of Lewiston, and a member of the Niagara Falls Insurance Agents Club, the Niagara Club, the Niagara Falls Country Club, and Niagara River Lodge 785 F&AM. He was active in the American Red Cross and the Family and Children's Service of Niagara. Mr. Rice served Middlebury, as president of the Alumni Association, and as secretary for the Class of 1926. For many years he organized alumni events in the Buffalo/Niagara Falls area, and assisted admissions efforts in the area. For his volunteer work on behalf of Middlebury, he was awarded the Alumni Plaque in 1982. Mr. Rice is survived by his wife, Marjorie Carter Rice; a daughter, Viola Jeanne Rice Phelps '52 of Niagara Falls; two sons, the Rev. W. Ransom Rice Jr. '53 of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Charles R. Rice '58 of Buffalo, N.Y.; a stepson, Edward Forbes of Minneapolis, Minn.; two stepdaughters, Margaret Rowland of Longmeadow, Mass., and Frances Murphy of Concord, Mass.; 19 grandchildren, including Timothy Bazemore '82, Christopher Rice '83, Mark Rice '84, Elizabeth Rice '87, and Joan Rice '88; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces, including Velma Rice '58. He was the husband of the late Viola Proudfoot Rice and brother of the late Robert L. Rice Jr. '26.

1926 Wilfred Ellis Walcott, date of death unknown. Born in New London, Conn., on July 22, 1903, he prepared for college in New Britain (Conn.) High School. He attended Middlebury in the academic year 1922-23. He was predeceased by wife Beulah. His children were Cynthia M. Alcorn and Donald E. Walcott.

1927 Ruby Daisy Elwell, 81, on Thanksgiving morning, November 26, 1987. Her death occurred just before

relatives planned to call at the Weston Hadden Convalescent Center in Bennington, Vt., to take her to the family gathering at the big farmhouse where she spent her early life. Ruby came to Middlebury from Bennington High School. After her graduation, she taught Latin and French at Barton (Vt.) Academy. She then became interested in social work and worked for YWCAs in Titusville and Pottsville, both in Pennsylvania. During World War II she worked for the state department of welfare in Albany, N.Y. After the war, she served as executive director of Traveler's Aid in New Haven, Conn., for 24 years. Ruby was a member of the National Association of Social Workers, the American Academy of Accredited Social Workers and the Soroptomist Club. She was also involved with the League of Women Voters and the National Wildlife Federation. She is survived by her sister, Myra E. Van Nostrand (M.A. '36, French) of Bennington. "Classmates extend sympathy to Myra and the family," writes Rachel L. Spear '27, her Middlebury roommate for four years. "We have lost a precious person. Ruby met life with a cheerful smile and a genuine interest in others, which she expressed in her many years of work at Traveler's Aid. Ruby was a loyal, listening friend with a contagious sense of humor."

—Howard W. Cutler '27

1927 Helen Ellsworth Stewart, 80, of Dennisport, Mass., on September 12, 1987, after a long illness. Mrs. Stewart came to Middlebury from the high school in West Hartford, Conn. At Middlebury she joined Phi Mu sorority. She returned to the Hartford area, where she worked as a secretary with the Hartford National Bank and Trust Company for 14 years. Throughout her life she took an active interest in Middlebury, and was one of the founders of the Middlebury Alumnae Club of Hartford in the late '20s. She and her husband, Dr. Lester Q. Stewart '26, who survives her, retired to South Yarmouth, Mass., in 1965.

1928 Lois Robinson Blake, 81, of Chatham Township, N.J., on January 15, 1988. Middlebury was home to Lois and her twin sister, Louise, because their father, Duane L. Robinson '03, was a member of the College faculty, professor of French, Latin, and mathematics. They attended Piedmont College during Professor Robinson's sabbatical there and joined our class in 1925. Lois played basketball on our class team, was active in her sorority, Pi Beta Phi, and in the dramatic club. She was a talented artist, as her illustrations in our 1928 *Kaleidoscope* evidence, and art became her career. After earning her Middlebury B.A. in fine arts (Phi Beta Kappa), she studied fashion design at Pratt Institute, N.Y. From 1931-1937 she headed the design department at U.S. Rubber Company, Naugatuck, Conn. In 1938 she married Frederick H. Blake, Jr., who survives her. Before her illness, she wrote of enjoying keeping house in her New Jersey home, gardening, and entertaining Fred's nieces and nephews. We extend our deepest sympathy to Fred and our thankfulness for his devotion to our classmate.

—Miriam Sweet Coombs '28

1928 Alice May Taber, 89, of East Greenwich, R.I., on December 7, 1987. Transferring to Middlebury from Colby College, she was active in Phi Mu sorority, and in the dramatic, French, and Spanish clubs. She attended the Los Angeles, Calif., Public Library School in 1928-29, and was then librarian in charge of a number of Los Angeles branch libraries until her retirement in 1968. In addition to her full-time career, Alice also cared for several family members. Caring was a constant for her. Alice and I shared a love of Davy's American lit. classes. One of her best Middlebury memories was of her part-time work in Davy's and Prexy Moody's offices. She is survived by Mrs. Ruth Gates, the niece with whom she lived from 1982 until her death, a sister-in-law, and other family members. We extend our thanks and sympathy to all who cared for Alice as we did.

—Miriam Sweet Coombs '28

1930 William Burr Hawley, of Sherman, Conn., date of death unknown. Coming from Loomis School, he attended Middlebury for a year and one-half, and was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He was affiliated with several business interests and later was the owner of the Mary Carter Paint & Decorating Center in Danbury, Conn. He suffered major burns and fractures in a 1973 automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, Edith, of Sherman, Conn.

1932 Raymond Banfil Ashdown, 80, of Ballston Lake, N.Y., on January 11, 1988. An outstanding basketball player at Middlebury, Ray had the ability to hold the ball in one hand behind his back while standing at the sideline, thwarting all efforts to strip it away. Both he and his wife, Mary, were ardent golfers. After training with Texaco, Ray opened his own fuel oil dealership in 1943. He was known for his willingness to serve even slow-paying customers who called late at night out of oil. In 1967 he suffered crushing injuries when struck by a car one rainy night as he crossed the road. He struggled on for another ten years before retirement, renewing friendships with old Alpha Sigma Phi classmates at annual get-togethers from North Carolina to his summer camp at Lake George. Survivors are wife Mary, daughters Lynne and Andrea, son Bradford, brother Kenneth, and three grandchildren. Ray will be remembered for his consummate kindness and selfless community service.

—Rollin E. Pratt '33

1932 Charles E. Thrasher, 76, of Rochester, N.Y., on November 12, 1987. "Charlie" attended Fitchburg (Mass.) High School and entered Middlebury in 1928 as a chemistry major. A member of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity, he was captain of football and was named "all state" for two years. Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, he was awarded a Dutton Fellowship in 1932-33 to study at the University of Edinburgh. He went on to the Eastman Kodak Company sales department beginning in 1933; he retired in 1974 from Kodak as assistant manager of the distribution department. Charlie and Margaret T. Smith '34 were married by President Moody on June 12, 1934, in Mead Chapel. A member of the Ridgemont Country Club in Rochester, he loved golfing and fishing. Since Charlie's Kodak division involved operations overseas, he and Peg had the opportunity to travel. For several years the Thrashers had been spending four months in Venice, Fla., where each spring they had a small, friendly, Middlebury get-together at the beach. The Class of '32 and those who knew him well extend deepest sympathy to his wife, Margaret, daughter Carolyn Thrasher Weh '59 of Fort Atkinson, Wis., sons C. Douglas Thrasher of Columbia, Md., and Richard E. Thrasher of Gettysburg, Pa., six grandchildren, and sister Evelyn Bennett of Greenfield, Mass.

1933 Warren Gibbs Goodrich, 75, of Sarasota, Fla., on March 6, 1988. Warren prepared for Middlebury at Rutland High School. At Middlebury he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon. He was active in intramural sports, played in the orchestra and band, and was a member of the Spanish Club. Soon after graduation he married Barbara Perkins '35. He worked from 1933 to 1977 for the Killington Bank and Trust Company (which merged in 1963 with the First Vermont Bank), with time out 1944-46 for service as sergeant in the 387th Infantry Division. He was a member of Kiwanis, Eagles, Elks, Shrine, V.F.W., Rutland and Corn Hill Country Clubs, served as Commander and Adjutant of Rutland Post No. 3, American Legion, Master of Rutland Lodge No. 79, F. and A.M., assistant treasurer of the Rutland Fair Association, and auditor of the City of Rutland. He was also deacon of the Grace Congregational Church in Rutland and First Congregational Church in Sarasota, was on the advisory board of the Salvation Army, and was a trustee of the College of St. Joseph the Provider in Rutland. In his later years he became active in Alcoholics Anonymous and in 1971 founded Serenity House in Wallingford, the primary rehabilitation facility in Vermont. The Class of 1933 extends its sincere sympathy to his two daughters, Leila Goodrich Tupman '56 and Carolyn G. Watterlund, who survive him, and also to four grandsons and two sisters, Dorothy Atherton and Eleanor Goodrich Sanborn '35.

—Phil and Helen Easton Carpenter '33

1934 Kendall Paul Thomas, 76, of Canton, Ohio, on May 29, 1987, after a long illness. Dr. Thomas came to Middlebury from Troy Conference Academy. He majored in mathematics. After graduation he taught science and mathematics in several schools and at Brown University before returning to Middlebury to teach physics in 1942 and 1943. In 1944 he earned an M.S. in physics from the University of Michigan, after which he enrolled at Michigan's dental school, earning his D.D.S. in 1949. After four years in private practice in Fair Lawn, N.J., Dr. Thomas served two years as a captain in the U.S. Army, stationed in Schwaebisch Gmeund, West Germany. Dr. Thomas then became director of dental hygiene at the State University of New York at Farmingdale, a position he held until his retirement in 1977. Despite failing health, he returned to Middlebury in 1984 to enjoy his 50th Reunion. Dr. Thomas is survived by his wife, Eleanor Hannah Thomas of Farmingdale, N.Y.; a son, John Thomas of Canton, Ohio; and three granddaughters.

1938 Shirley Haven Clark, 71, of Panton, Vt., on January 24, 1988. Mrs. Clark lived in the Vergennes area nearly all her life. At Middlebury she majored in English. A four-year member of the Choir and the A Tempo Club, Mrs. Clark was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority. She went on to teach at schools in Hinsdale, N.H., Amherst, Mass., Pasadena, Calif., and later served as a teacher and guidance counselor at Vergennes High School, from which she retired in 1970. Mrs. Clark pursued graduate studies at St. Michael's College in Winooski, Vt., and at Middlebury's summer language program. A recently retired partner of Clark's Real Estate Ltd. of Vergennes, she served as a member of the Vergennes Union High School board in 1959 and 1960, and was a member of the Bixby Library board of trustees, the D.A.R., the Women's Club, the Garden Club, and the Republican Party. Mrs. Clark was an active member of the Vergennes Congregational Church, having served as a deacon, Sunday school superintendent, choir member, church historian, and president of the Women's Fellowship. She served as secretary and reunion chair for the Class of 1938. At the time of her death she was actively involved in the planning of her 50th Reunion. Mrs. Clark, whose husband Allen died in 1983, is survived by a son, Gregory S. Clark of Vergennes; a daughter, Marguerite Richmond of Panton, Vt.; two brothers,

Kittredge Haven of Panton and Stuart Haven of Arlington, Vt.; and four grandchildren.

1938 Ruth Duffield Couperus, 71, of New London, N.H., on March 31, 1988, after a long illness. Mrs. Couperus was born in Ironwood, Mich., and came to Middlebury from White Plains, N.Y., High School. She came from a long line of Middlebury alumni, including her father, Edmund Duffield '04; her aunts, Gertrude Duffield Waldo '09 and Edith Duffield '17; her uncles, John Duffield '02 and Maurice Duffield '20; and her brother, Thomas S. Duffield '33. In college she majored in English and was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She was also active in the Pan-Hellenic Council and the Choir. She married Pierce G. Couperus '37 in 1939. They raised three children, John M. of Claremont, N.H., Alice Couperus Gross '62 of Winchester, Mass., and Judith Couperus Radasch '65 of New York, N.Y., all of whom survive her, as does her husband. Mrs. Couperus lived for several years in Pennsylvania and in Melrose, Mass., between 1958 and 1970. She and her husband retired to New London in 1970. Mrs. Couperus was a member of the First Baptist Church of New London and was a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood. She volunteered for Middlebury as 1938 Class Secretary. Other survivors include her twin sister, Winifred Duffield Taylor '38 of Concord, N.H.,and nine grandchildren, including Karin Radasch '85.

1939 Stanton E. Boardman, 71, of St. Albans, Vt., on February 18, 1988. Mr. Boardman graduated from Middlebury High School. At the College he majored in political science and was active in basketball. He also participated in intramural sports. He remained an avid sports fan all his life. Upon graduation, Mr. Boardman was with the Soil Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, in St. Albans, Vt. A sergeant in the Army in World War II, upon his discharge in 1945 Stan joined the U.S. Postal Service. He was an honorary life member of St. Albans Council 297 of Knights of Columbus; member of the Franklin County Seniors Center; St. Albans Lodge 1566 BPOE; the Elks National Foundation; Robert E. Glidden Post 758 VFW; Green Mountain Post 1 of the American Legion; the National Association of Retired Federal Employees; and the National Association of Letter Carriers. The Class of '39 extends its deepest sympathy to his wife, Doris (Potter) to whom he was married in 1948; his brother, Charles Boardman, and sister, Mrs. Carrie Bingham, both of Cornwall, Vt.; and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Blanche Potter of East Berkshire, Vt.—*Ray and Ruth Coleman Skinner, both '39*

1942 Barbara Pierce Searles, 67, of Littleton, N.H., in July 1986. Mrs. Searles came to Middlebury from Newport, Vt., High School. For 19 years, she was the school librarian at the Holderness School. In recent years she had lived with her son, Richard, and his family in Littleton. In addition to her son, survivors also include a daughter, Marjorie, of New York; a sister, Mary Pierce Mosher '39, of Newport, Vt.; three grandchildren; and a niece, Barbara Mosher Liberty '69 of Amherst, N.H.

1950 Theodore J. Novak, 67, of Middlebury, Vt., on September 2, 1987. Mr. Novak graduated from Middlebury High School in 1938. After working for the General Mills Company, he joined the National Guard in 1940. He served with the 172nd Infantry Battalion, 43rd Division, at Camp Blanding, Fla., Camp Shelby, Miss., and in the Pacific at Guadalcanal. Mr. Novak then enrolled at the College. A physical education major, he was a member of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity. Upon graduation, he worked as a steward at the American Legion Club Post 27 and for the F.A. Tucker Construction Company. In 1963 he opened a Mobil service station on Main Street in Middlebury, and served college students and the Middlebury community for 20 years. Upon his retirement in 1983, he worked in the pro shop at the College's Ralph Myhre Golf Course. Mr. Novak was a member of the VFW Post 7823 and American Legion Post 27, the Masons, and the Elbon Shrine. Survivors include a sister, Anna Morin, of Ballston Spa, N.Y.; and a brother, Charles, of Middlebury.

1956 Sherry Anderson, 52, of Whitehall, N.Y., on September 19, 1986. Mr. Anderson came to Middlebury from Great Neck, N.Y., High School. A chemistry major in college, he stayed on at Middlebury to earn a master of science degree. For the last 22 years, Mr. Anderson was a professor of chemistry at Castleton (Vt.) State College. He was a member of the American Chemical Society and the Whitehall Lodge B.P.O.E. #1491. Survivors include his wife, Barbara Anderson; two sons, Gary of Pennsylvania and George of Washington; and his father, Wesley, of Whitehall.

1956 Arvin P. Trevett, 56, of Cold Brook, N.Y., on April 6, 1987. Mr. Trevett was born in Utica, N.Y. He was a member of the Putney (Vt.) School's class of 1948. After completing three years at Middlebury, Mr. Trevett enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in the Korean War. He finished his degree in 1956, majoring in philosophy. At the time of his death, Mr. Trevett was the chief financial officer and chairman of the boards of both the Commercial Travelers and Monitor life insurance companies of Utica. He was a member of the Faxton Hospital Foundation Board, and had been active with the Poland, N.Y., cub scouts. Mr. Trevett is survived by his wife, Norma Skinner Trevett; four sons, Edward, at home, John of Philadelphia, William and David, both stationed with the Navy aboard the *U.S.S. Nimitz*; two brothers, Herbert of Poland, N.Y., and James of Cold Brook; and a sister, Winifred Hall of Utica.

1958 Richard L. Nahley, 51, of Danbury, Conn., on November 20, 1987. Mr. Nahley graduated from Danbury High School. At Middlebury he majored in political science and graduated with honors. He was a member of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity and was active in intramural sports. After graduation, Mr. Nahley enrolled at the University of Virginia Law School. He earned his law degree there in 1961, and returned to his native Danbury to practice law. In 1967 he was appointed corporate counsel for the city of Danbury. In 1978 he was elected Judge of Probate in Danbury, and was elected to a second term in 1983. Mr. Nahley was a dedicated volunteer in his community, and was active in the College's admissions and fund raising efforts. He is survived by his wife, Mary Daniels Nahley '58; two daughters, Susan C. Nahley '82 of New York and Ann C. Nahley of Danbury; a son, Jeffrey C. Nahley '86 of New York; a sister, Sally Jugler of Newtown, Conn.; four brothers, Donald of Columbus, Ga., Gerald of Gaylordsville, Conn., Jack of Danbury and Eugene of Little Rock, Ark.; and a brother-in-law, Dr. John Daniels of Pawling, N.Y.

1988 Jonathan L. Baker, 22, of Wilbraham, Mass., on October 1, 1987. Mr. Baker attended Minnechaug Regional High School in Wilbraham, and came to Middlebury from the Northfield Mount Hermon School. At Middlebury he was a member of the baseball team, and led the team in batting average. He also hiked Vermont's Long Trail extensively. Survivors include his parents, Dr. William J. and Ann Haagsma Baker, brothers Steven and Jeffrey, sister Susan '82, and sister-in-law Marie D'Amour Baker '82.

1988 Brendan Boland, 20, of Westwood, Mass., on August 10, 1987. A 1983 graduate of Westwood High School, while at Middlebury he majored in history. Mr. Boland was the son of John V., Sr., and Glenna (Roney) Boland, and the brother of James Patrick, John, Jr., and Katherine Boland, all of Westwood.

1989 Randi E. Stromstad, 21, of Rolle, Switzerland, on September 5, 1987, in an automobile accident while returning to campus for the beginning of her junior year. A native of Gstadd, Switzerland, Miss Stromstad came to Middlebury from Le Rosey in Rolle. She was a joint biology/chemistry major, and was an avid skier, competing with the alpine B team. As a volunteer coach for the Middlebury community ski club, she was a favorite among the young skiers to whom she devoted her time, patience, and love. Both the chemistry department and the alpine ski team have created awards to be given in her memory. Miss Stromstad is survived by her parents, Knut and Barbara Close Stromstad, and a sister, Kirsten.

Faculty Christopher Todd, 55, of Norwich, Vt., on November 8, 1987, after a 27-year battle with Hodgkins disease. He served as an assistant professor in Middlebury's mathematics department from 1973-76. A dedicated teacher, Dr. Todd was also respected for his lifelong contribution to environmental and conservation causes. He is survived by his long-time companion Kate McMullan; a sister, Carol McCabe of Glastonbury, Conn.; and a half sister, Mirian Lovejoy of West Southport, Maine.

Faculty Peter Hall Walton, 85, formerly of Middlebury and Shoreham, Vt. A 1925 graduate of Williams College, he moved to Middlebury in 1941 to teach art at the College. During World War II he served in the U.S. Navy in the Aleutians and as commanding officer of the Naval Air Station in Belem, Brazil. In 1947 he returned to Middlebury as a special instructor in the fine arts. A generation of Middlebury art students studied sketching and painting with Walton and Arthur K.D. Healy, art department chair. In 1983 he moved to Potomac, Md., to live with his nephew and adopted son, John A. Pagenstecher.

Faculty Klaus Heinrich Wolff, 72, of Cornwall, Vt., on May 3, 1988, of cancer. A native of Strasbourg, Germany, Professor Wolff attended the Oldenwald Schule, the University of Berlin, and the University of Frankfurt. He was serving in the Afrika Corps with Rommel when captured in 1943 by the French and was a prisoner of war in Tunisia until December 1947. He entered Wabash College (Crawfordsville, Ind.) as an exchange student in 1949, receiving a B.A. in 1950 and, subsequently, a doctorate at the University of Chicago Graduate School of International Relations (1958). After teaching at Rollins College (Winter Park, Fla.) 1953-55 and doing further graduate work at Harvard University, he began a 25-year career teaching economic history at Middlebury, retiring in 1981. He then taught at St. Michael's College (Cochester, Vt.) for five years and also taught graduate classes at UVM. He is survived by wife Deane Ibold Wolff of Cornwall; daughter J. Ashley Wolff of San Francisco; daughter Peregrine I. Wolff, DVM, of Chicago; son-in-law Sabin Russell of San Francisco; and a grandson, Brennan Wolff Russell.

FAMILIES

MARRIAGES

Diane Hankins and **Richard C. Fall** '66, December 12, 1987; address on computer is one year prior to marriage.

Mary Jo Danckert '77 and Gregory John Maichack, June 20, 1987; 7 Noel St., Springfield, MA 01108.

Susan Hunter Brown '78 and Thomas Bailey, February 1987; 200 Boulder Trail, Bronxville, NY 10708.

Stacy Collins and **Robert Carolla** '78, October 1987; 1600 S. Barton St., #755, Arlington, VA 22204.

Nina Meek '78 and Brian J. Kelleghan, December 5, 1987; 5727 Canoga Ave., #351, Woodland Hills, CA 91367.

Bonni Levine and **Peter Curran** '80, date; 3750 N. Lake Shore Drive, #8A, Chicago IL.

Lisa Morris '84 and David Worster (Colby '82), October 24, 1987; 1810 Commonwealth Ave., #11, Brighton, MA 02135.

Diana Sunderland '84 and Michael Prise, September 13, 1987; 51 Cedar St., Highlands, N.J. 07732.

Jennifer Iles and **Jeffrey Seavey**, both '86, October 3, 1987; 30 Stoneycrest Drive, #35, Middletown, CT 06457.

THE SCHOOLS

Elise Michelle Udolf and **Michael D. Leopold** (Chinese '83), November 28, 1987. Both are lawyers in New York City.

Laurie Ann Baker (Spanish M.A. '87) and **Guillermo Bartholoma** (Spanish '80, '81, '82, '83), August 28, 1987, in Ludwigsburg, Germany.

NEW ARRIVALS

A daughter, Ida Katherine, joined Pam and **Sandy Volkmann** '74 on March 20, 1988.

A daughter, Julia, joined Patty and **Jim Kaiser** '77 on November 26, 1987.

A daughter, Molly Elizabeth Hazard, joined Eric and **Libet Campbell Peters** '77 on January 12, 1988.

A son, Alexander Robert, joined **Adrian** and **Charlotte Glasser Benepe**, both '78, on December 4, 1986.

A son, Peter Moore, joined Jerry and **Delle Moore Cassell** '78 on July 10, 1987.

A daughter, Mariana Kathryn, joined Eugene and **Kathy Allwarden Cruz-Uribe** '78 on January 18, 1987.

A son, Samuel Alden, joined **Nathaniel "Ty"** '78 and **Abby Wilson Howe** '79 on December 22, 1987.

A daughter, Kristen Elizabeth, joined **Luciano** and **Jennifer Hunt Nicasio**, both '78, on October 9, 1987.

A son, Kurt John, joined Debbie and **John Pogoda** '78 on November 24, 1987.

A daughter, Alexandra Dulin, joined Jane and **Payson Swaffield** '78 on January 5, 1988.

A daughter, Clara Lucia Kassel, joined **Julie Campoli** '80 and **John Kassel** '79 on November 7, 1987.

THE SCHOOLS

A son, Roland Alexander Lasius, joined Dietrich Lasius and **Anne de Tarr-Lasius** (French M.A. '78) on December 19, 1987.

Twin sons, Matthew Raymond and Jeremy Michael, joined Gregory and **Reenie Hershman Shaw** (M.A. '78) on November 27, 1987. They live in Brookline, Mass.

BEQUESTS

By will to the College on the Hill...

Estate of James Cardell, $109.97 for the Class of 1918 Scholarship Fund, bringing the total bequest to $7,227.80.

Estate of Gretchen Clifford, $18,779.05 to establish the Helen C. Seibel Fund in the Pooled Income Fund subject to reservation of Life Income for one beneficiary.

Estate of Louise C. Reiter, $2,000.00 for scholarship funds for young men and women who are teaching high school German and who are attending the Middlebury German School.

Estate of Marguerite C. McKelligott, $1,000.00 for L'Amicole Scholarship Fund.

Estate of Elizabeth S. Goins, $35,000.00 for the general endowment.

Estate of Howard H. Born, $25,000.00, to establish the Howard H. Born German Scholarship Fund with the annual income to be used for scholarship aid to a student attending the German Language School.

A reunion of Middlebury people in the Hong Kong area was held on February 29, 1988. Organizer Edith Furber '85 is seated with Alice Berninghausen; behind them are Virginia Pettersen (German M.A. '79), John Berninghausen (Chinese department), Michael March '77, Kim Maire (wife of Stephen Maire '77), and John Crossman '85. Chris West '81 and Jennifer Sullivan Weaver '78 were scheduled to appear, but cancelled at the last minute. Future gatherings are planned for the approximately 30 Middlebury people in the area.

SPORTS NOTES

From the opening kick-off, through the mid-course flip turn, to the final baton pass, *Sports Notes* brings you news of Middlebury's 23 varsity athletic teams. Weekly during the fall and bi-weekly through the winter and spring seasons, *Sports Notes* is a multi-page newsletter that features results, plus notes about the next week's games and matches. Special preseason editions tell you what to look forward to before Middlebury's teams go into action.

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ENGLISH

James Ciletti (M.A. '69) is president and executive producer of Omega Films of Colorado Springs, Colo., which produces films and video programs. He writes, "Nearly every day I call upon the skills I developed in four summers at Bread Loaf to succeed as a writer, producer, and director of media communications." ...**R.F. Fleissner** ('60) recently had a book published, *The Prince and the Professor*, one-third of which is devoted to Robert Frost. For the 1988 centennial of the birth of T.S. Eliot, he has a book coming out entitled *Ascending the Prufrockian Stair: Studies in Dissociated Sensibility*. ...**Laura Lewis** (M.A. '86), librarian and drama coach at Brattleboro (Vt.) Union High School, uses all of her spare time to write plays. She also teaches a course in women's literature after school. Of her Bread Loaf experience, she says, "During my high school years I knew a teacher who scared everyone to death. No one liked her. One year she came back after summer vacation a changed woman. I had never seen a person go through such a dramatic transformation before. She told us about a place where everything was green and people sat on cottage porches talking about literature. I decided that I would go to that place some day. That place was Bread Loaf." ...**Herbert Woodward Martin** (M.Litt. '72) was awarded a grant by the Fund for Christian Humanism to conduct a three-day symposium on the occasion of the centennial of Emily Dickinson's death. He has also done a poetry-reading tour of the Northeast and published a prose poem in *The Newport Review*. ...**Pete Mull** (M.A. '83) has joined the faculty of Burr and Burton Seminary in Manchester, Vt., following a stint as assistant admissions director at Bennington College. ...**Eve Lewis Parera** (M.A. '75) has a monthly column on books in the *Berkshire Eagle*, Pittsfield, Mass. Her restaurant/bookstore in Lenox, The Quiet Corner, holds evening programs on the first Thursday of each month during the academic year. Two of these programs which she led were based on the book *Habits of the Heart* and on the poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins, the subject of Eve's winter study project for Bread Loaf.

CHINESE

Elizabeth McKee ('87) is teaching English in the Shansi region of China, about three hours by train southwest of Beijing. She has described the area as very rural with irregular availability of such services as water, heat, and electricity. Elizabeth was the recipient of a two-year fellowship from the Shansi Foundation to teach English at universities in the province.

FRENCH

Nancy Bazin (M.A. '58) has been reappointed for a three-year term as chair of the English Department at Old Dominion University. A resident of Norfolk, Va., she has taught at Old Dominion since 1978 and has been department chair since 1985. ...Washington, Conn., resident, **John De Mado** (M.A. '70) serves on the local board of education, where he is a strong proponent of teaching foreign languages, including the creation of a new program in the primary schools. Having taught for many years, he is now a national textbook consultant in foreign languages for Harcourt, Brace and Jovanovich. ...Also working for Harcourt, Brace and Jovanovich is **Stephen A. Wildfeuer** (M.A. '85), who has been appointed editorial representative for the filming and editing of a videotape program to accompany a new first-year French textbook. Last summer he also worked on video instruction material in France, with the support of a Rockefeller Foundation grant through the Academic Alliances. ...**Lyn Kirkconnell** (M.A. '69) reports that she has moved to a new area of mission work in Bolivia. In spite of poverty, disease, and lack of education, people in her small rural village are pulling together to build a health center and establish a literacy program. ...Two May graduates of Columbia Law School hold degrees from the French School. **Margaret-Ann F. Howie** (M.A. '85) served as executive notes editor for the *Columbia Journal of Law and the Arts*, as secretary of the Columbia chapter of the Black Law Students Association, and as president of the Christian Law Fellowship. She will be associated with Piper & Marbury in Baltimore, Md. **Jeanine Worden** (M.A. '77) was a member of the *Columbia Human Rights Law Review* and will be associated with Arent, Fox, Kintener, Plotkin & Kahn in Washington, D.C.

GERMAN

Marcie Boyd (M.A. '78), a folksinger and songwriter, toured the Northeast and Midwest this spring, performing at conferences, colleges, coffeehouses, and festivals. She sings songs that encourage people to laugh at themselves and to work for peace and justice. Marcie lives in Boston. ...After 11 years as head of the foreign language department at Central Michigan University, **Charlotte Evans** (M.A. '59) has retired. A native of Dusseldorf, Germany, she came to the United States in 1956 as a war bride. After teaching English and German in Ohio and receiving her M.A. from Middlebury, she went on to complete a doctorate at Ohio State University. During her tenure at Central Michigan University, she established a German exchange program. Her colleagues have established the Charlotte Evans scholarship in her honor. ...**Louis Flaccus** (M.A. '42) has published a collection of his poems written during the years 1983-87. After a career in teaching at Scarsdale (N.Y.) High School, Mr. Flaccus retired to Tamworth, N.H., the setting of many of his poems. ...**Horst Fuchs Richardson** ('68,'69,'70) has edited and translated his father's wartime letters, which have been published as a book entitled *Seig Heil! War Letters of Tank Gunner Karl Fuchs*. Karl Fuchs' letters to his parents, his young wife and his son Horst, whom he would never see, reflect both his nationalistic fervor and his tender love for his family.

ITALIAN

Remo Trivelli (M.A. '57, D.M.L. '72), professor of Italian at the University of Rhode Island, has been appointed associate editor of *Il Giornalino*, a periodical for teachers of Italian language and culture. With Middlebury Professor Ugo Skubikowksi as editor, *Il Giornalino* will retain its home base at Middlebury College but will be an official publication of the American Association of Teachers of Italian.

JAPANESE

Eileen Quigley ('83) has joined the *Los Angeles Times*' New York bureau to cover 1988 election news out of the newspaper's Washington bureau.

RUSSIAN

Julia Polger ('81, '84, Abroad '85) has been selected by the U.S. Information Agency to serve as a guide with "Information USA," the first official U.S. exhibit in the USSR since 1979. Julia is a graduate of the University of Vermont, with a degree in French and Russian. She also holds an M.A. degree in conference interpretation of English, Russian, and French from the Monterey Institute of International Studies. "Information USA" is designed to show how Americans use communication technology in their daily lives. The show opened in Moscow, where 7,600 visitors per day attended, and continues to eight other cities. As one of 24 Russian-speaking guides, Julia must be able to demonstrate and explain a wide variety of technology and to answer questions about every aspect of American life.

SPANISH

George Castellanos (M.A. '72) has been awarded the "Premio de Filologia Felix Restrepo 1986-87" by the Colombian Academy of Languages, Correspondent of the Royal Academy of Spain, for his literary essay on the Colombian writer, Jose Maria Rivas Groot, entitled "El proceso de Secularizacion en el Modernismo de Jose Maria Rivas Groot." This distinguished award carries with it a $1,500 prize and the essay's publication in book form by the Academy. ...**Georgina Elortegui** (M.A. 78) is teaching in the department of modern languages and literatures at St. Anselm's College in Manchester, N.H. ...**Robert W. Hatton** (M.A. '59) has been inducted into the Academic Hall of Fame at Linden McKinley High School in Columbus, Ohio. The school has instituted this program to provide role models to students, inspiring them to seek academic achievement. Professor Hatton has just completed 25 years of service at Capital University in Columbus, where he is chairman of the modern language department. ...**Gerald Lunderville** (M.A. '69) has recently had his biography published in Marquis' 21st edition of *Who's Who in the West*. Lunderville earned his B.A. at the University of New Hampshire and also holds an M.A. in linguistics from the University of Rochester. He teaches English as a Second Language at Woodrow Wilson High School in Long Beach, Calif. ...**Franz Mandarich** (M.A. '68) reports that he has taken early retirement and is teaching part-time (two classes of Spanish) at Lub-

bock Christian College. Between Middlebury and Lubbock, he taught at Keene High School and Belknap College in New Hampshire and Westminster College in Pennsylvania. He would welcome correspondence from former classmates. ...**Chris Prahl** (M.A. '75) and his wife Brenda have opened Westwinds Bed and Breakfast in Hancock, N.H. ...**Richard V. Teschner** (M.A. '66) is serving as president of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. In addition to his work for AATSP, he teaches at the University of Texas at El Paso.

WRITERS' CONFERENCE

Lyn Lifshin ('71) presented a poetry workshop in Syracuse, N.Y., in December 1987. The workshop was sponsored by the Community Writer's Project with support from the New York State Council on the Arts. ...**Stephanie Tolan** ('80) was the featured guest at English Festival '88 on the Ashtabula campus of Kent State University in March. The festival was billed as "a celebration of reading and writing" and was expanded this year to include 350 seventh and eighth grade students. Ms. Tolan is the author of several award-winning books for children and young adults. ...**David Madden** ('72) is the 1988 recipient of the Roy Acuff Chair of Excellence in the Creative Arts at Austin Peay State University in Tennessee. ...Watkinson School of Hartford, Conn., where **David Holdt** ('81) has taught for ten years and recently served as dean, has appointed him director of the Watkinson Writing Program. A widely published poet and essayist, he looks forward to continuing the tradition of excellence in writing that has been established at the school.

OBITUARIES

1919 Dorothea Waters Moran (French), 92, of New York City, October 26, 1987. She attended Miami University in Ohio, worked as a legal assistant in New York City, and later was executive secretary to the American Institute of Architects. Throughout her life she spent summers in Sutton, Mass., at the Waters Farm, which had been in the family for 11 generations, since 1757. She donated the farm to the town of Sutton at her death, to be used as a living history museum.

1924 Margaret Tunney Beuttel (English), 83, of Franconia, N.H., November 19, 1987. She was a teacher of Latin and French for many years in Hanover and Sunapee, N.H., as well as in Brockton, Mass. She is survived by four sons, Richard W. of Boise, Idaho, Reginald M. of Sacramento, Calif., Peter L. of Marietta, Ga., and Brooks C. of Las Vegas, Nev.; two daughters, Gretchen Campbell of Roswell, Ga., and Deborah Gore of North Conway, N.H.; 14 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren.

1928 John R. Cummins (English), 80, of Cherry Valley, N.Y., September 28, 1987. He was a graduate of Loyola College in Montreal and Georgetown University School of Law. Mr. Cummins was a WWII U.S. Army veteran and practiced law for many years in Plattsburgh, N.Y. He is survived by a daughter, Melissa Horvath of Cherry Valley; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

1929 Laura Virginia Baker (French), 90, of Bingham, Maine, February 15, 1988. She was a graduate of Colby College and did graduate work at Columbia and Harvard universities, Colby and Wellesley colleges. Miss Baker spent two summers studying in France and was a language teacher for 42 years in Massachusetts and Maine. She is survived by a sister, Geraldine Hannay of Bingham, Maine.

1931 Adeline Consalvo (French), March 29, 1988. A lifelong resident of Schenectady, N.Y., Ms. Consalvo graduated from the former Albany College for Teachers and attended Middlebury's French School in 1929 and 1931. She taught in the Schenectady school system for 44 years. Her memberships included the New York and Schenectady Retired Teachers associations, State Association of Foreign Language Teachers, the Alliance Francaise, the American Association of Retired Persons, the YWCA, Schenectady Museum, Metropolitan Opera Guild, and St. Anthony's Church in Schenectady. Survivors include four sisters, Josephine Consalvo, Adalgisa Nicodemi, Armida Consalvo and Vivian Consalvo, all of Schenectady; and three brothers, Peter of Scotia, Arthur of Schenectady and Virgilio Consalvo of Stratford, Conn.

1931 Charlotte Ayres (M.A. French), 88, of Arlington, Mass., February 22, 1988. She received her B.A. from St. Lawrence College in Canton, N.Y., and taught high school French in North Kingston, R.I. A world traveler, her trips included France and Mexico, where she went to study language. She leaves her brother, Gilbert B. Ayres of Wyckoff, N.J.

1931 Helen Kennard Castellano (M.A. Spanish), of St. Petersburg, Fla., April 7, 1987. After serving as secretary to the consul at the Bolivian Consulate in New York City in 1928 and 1929, she taught Spanish at Vanderbilt and Duke. There are no immediate survivors.

1932 Marron DuBois (French), 76, of Amherst, Mass., December 17, 1987. She was professor emeritus of English at the University of Massachusetts, where she taught from 1951 until her retirement in 1984. She leaves four daughters, Charlotte Elfe of Columbia, S.C., Jacqueline Gent of New Salem, Va., Valerie Jhaveri of Seattle, Wash., and Lorraine Goodrich of Woodbridge, Va.; and eight grandchildren. Her husband, Charles N. DuBois, whom she met at Middlebury, died in 1951.

1933 Doris Rich Bowers (M.A. German), 80, of Wellesley, Mass., March 1, 1988. She graduated from Wellesley College in 1928 with a degree in German and English. In 1933-34 she traveled as an exchange student to study at the University of Munich, then went on to earn a Ph.D. at Harvard University in 1941. Mrs. Bowers spent many years as a professor in the German departments at Wellesley and Smith colleges. She was a member of the American Red Cross, Harvard Congregational Church in Brookline, the Florence Crittendon League, the Boston-Wellesley College Club, and the Allen Harbor Yacht Club. She also held offices in the Garden Club of Brookline and worked with Tau Beta Beta, Inc. a scholarship foundation for women. She is survived by her husband, Richard S. Bowers; a daughter, Jean B. Post, of Claremont Calif.; two sons, Richard S. Bowers, Jr. of Bristol, Ind., and Lawrence R. Bowers of Boston, Mass.; and five grandchildren.

1934 Barbara W. Jarrell (English), 86, of West Newbury, Vt., November 11, 1987. She taught English for many years at Dongan Hall, Dongan Hills, N.Y. (1927-1938) and the Oxford School for Girls, West Hartford, Conn. (1938-1964). She was also a well-known writer of articles on obedience training for dogs and on the cultivation of roses. In 1967 she was awarded the Vermont Association of Women's Clubs' silver bowl for placing first for three consecutive years in their poetry competition. Miss Jarrell graduated from Washburn College and did graduate work at Columbia University as well as at Middlebury. She spent 16 months with the Grenfell Mission in Labrador and a year in France, before joining the faculty of Dongan Hall.

1939 Philip Lloyd Ely (French), 79, of West Hatfield, Mass., December 18, 1987. He was a graduate of Colby College in Waterville, Maine, and did graduate work at the University of Massachusetts and the Sorbonne in Paris, as well as at Middlebury, where he studied at the French School in 1939 and 1946. Mr. Ely taught at schools in Connecticut, Maine, New York, Arizona, and Rio de Janiero, Brazil. He was a former member of the violin section of the Pioneer Valley Orchestra. His other memberships included the First Congregation Church in Hatfield, Mass., the Sons of the American Revolution, and the Society of Founders in Hartford, Conn.; he also worked as a volunteer at the Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton, Mass. He leaves his niece, Phyllis Ely, with whom he lived.

1940 Helen Daniell (M.A. Spanish), of Chapel Hill, N.C., January 5, 1988.

1941 Marion E. Brouse (M.A. English), 78, of Springfield Township, Ohio, February 2, 1988. She is survived by her husband, Harold Brouse; a son, Roger of Indianapolis, Ind.; a brother, George Northy of Akron, Ohio; and three grandchildren.

1942 Thomas W. Doherty (M.A. French, 1942; D.M.L. 1959), 75, of St. Charles, Mo., November 12, 1987. He earned his B.A. degree from Westminster College in Fulton, Mo., served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946 and was one of the first recipients of a Fulbright Scholarship to study in France in 1949-50. He taught French at Lindenwood College for 27 years, retiring in 1977. In 1980 he was named "Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Academique." Several chapters of his dissertation "Andre Suares et la Musique" were published in France. Mr. Doherty was organist of St. Charles Presbyterian Church for many years. He is survived by his wife, Christiane, of St. Charles; a daughter, Anne Khosropour of Madison, Wis.; a son, Daniel Doherty of Seattle, Wash.; a sister, Helen Watson of Denver, Colo.; and five grandchildren.

1942 Virginia Miller Alexander (M.A. French), 78, of East Randolph, N.Y., September 16, 1987. A graduate of Oberlin College, she was a language teacher in Randolph, N.Y., for 32 years. She was a member of the New York State Teachers' Association, A.A.R.P, and East Randolph United Methodist Church. She is survived by her husband, Frank A. Alexander.

1944 **Nancy Haston Keeling** (French), of Winston-Salem, N.C., December 7, 1987. She was a graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and was an enthusiastic traveler in the United States, the Pacific, Europe, Canada, Greece, and Israel. She is survived by her husband, Dr. William M. Keeling; a son, Liuetenant Colonel (Dr.) James H. Keeling III of Fort Sam Houston, Texas; two daughters, Mrs. Paul A. Broyles, Jr. of Princteon, W.V., and Nancy Jane Keeling of Knoxville, Tenn., and Dallas, Texas; and three grandchildren.

1945 **Eva M. Palmer** (M.A. French), 83, of Bowdoinham, Maine, October 27, 1987. She received her B.A. from Millikin University in Decatur, Ill., and studied at the Sorbonne, in addition to her studies at Middlebury. After teaching for 30 years, she retired and served as librarian at the Bowdoinham Public Library for 20 years. She had been a member of Richmond United Methodist Church, chairman of the Bowdoinham Women's Extension Service and treasurer of Merrymeeting Grange. She also served as correspondent for the local newspaper for 20 years.

1946 **Quentin L. Warren** (M.A. German), 66, of Lubec, Maine, October 18, 1987. He was a graduate of Stanford University and earned a graduate degree from Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. Before he retired to Maine in 1985, he lived in Montclair, N.J., and was an officer of Brown Brothers Harriman, private bankers of New York. Survivors include his wife, Jean Warren of Lubec; daughters Donna Mary Chale of Chatham, N.J., and Deira Beth Murray of Carver, Ma.; and two grandchildren.

1948 **Anna Shepard** (M.A. Spanish), 99, of Bennington, Vt., December 30, 1987. A former longtime resident of Manhattan, N.Y., she attended Mount Holyoke College and the University of Wisconsin. In her earlier years Miss Shepard was secretary to the president of the National City Bank of New York. She is survived by several nieces.

1954 **Philip Perkins** (M.A. English), 64, of Del Mar, Calif., February 20, 1988. A graduate of West Chester State College in West Chester, Pa., he served as a pilot in the Army Air Corps during World War II. During his career as an educator he served at St. Albans School in Washington, D.C., and as headmaster at Bishop's School in La Jolla and at Marlborough School in Los Angeles, Calif. At the time of his death he was assistant headmaster at Robert Louis Stevenson School in Pebble Beach, Calif. Mr. Perkins is survived by his wife, Gloria of Del Mar; two sons, Philip of San Francisco and Roger of San Diego; a daughter, Elizabeth Van Anden of Saranac Lake, N.Y.; and five grandchildren.

1958 **Helen Margaret O'Connell** (M.A. Russian), of Gaithersburg, Md., June 6, 1986.

1966 **Nadine Ellen Landry** (M.A. Spanish), 46, of Waltham, Mass., December 9, 1987. She was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Connecticut College and received her Ph.D. from the University of Toronto, where she was a Canada Council Fellow. She had been a professor at Curry College, Fayetteville Technical Institute in N.C. and Norwich University in Vt. While at Norwich, she served as the University's first Dean of Women and helped establish women's enrollment at the military college, one of the first programs of its kind in the country.

1968 **America "Marc" Scuncio** (M.A. Spanish), 59, of Kensington, N.J., October 30, 1987. He had a B.A. from Temple University in Philadelphia and studied at the University of Madrid as a Fulbright scholar. A teacher of Spanish and French at Lincoln High School in Philadelphia, he was also chief usher at the Philadelphia Academy of Music, where he served as an usher for 40 years. Surviving are his mother, Carmella R. Scuncio and sisters, Anne Dantro, Antoinette Follis, and Merendino Scuncio.

1970 **Stephen L. Gove** (French), 39, died on October 31, 1987, in Paris, France. A native of Vermont, Mr. Gove attended Northfield High School and the University of Vermont, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa. After earning his M.A. at Middlebury, he earned a master's in English literature at the Sorbonne, remaining as a member of their faculty until his death. In his spare time he worked with the elderly and also did volunteer work at hospitals and served as a translator for private individuals. He is survived by his father, Robert Gove of Moretown, Vt.; his mother, Lepha (Long) Gove of Morrisville, Vt.; two brothers, Robert Gove of Montpelier, Vt., and Willard Gove of Hyde Park, Vt.

1977 **Cyril Siegel** (M.A. French) died in the fall of 1987. She had retired after many years of teaching in the Shaker Heights (Ohio) Public Schools. In her retirement she continued to do private tutoring and was studying Spanish because of her love for languages.

1979 **Hector Ubertalli** (Japanese), 58, of West Palm Beach, Fla., January 26, 1987. He was born in Argentina and was already a respected artist internationally when he came to the United States in 1957. An enthusiastic traveler, Mr. Ubertalli visited Japan in 1974 and again in 1980 to exhibit his work and to study Japanese art and philosophy. The Palm Beach County Council in the Arts established the Hector Ubertalli Award for Achievement in the Arts in memory of the artist.

Summer Sojourn

BREAD LOAF ALUMNI COLLEGE XIII
AUGUST 31 - SEPT. 4, 1988

1
Central America: The Struggle for Change
Examining the historical transformation of Central America from the late 19th century to the present, this course will discuss the economic and social development of Guatemala, El Salvador, and Nicaragua; the consolidation of despotic regimes; the impact of U.S. intervention; and the nationalist, populist, and revolutionary struggles that have swept the region.
ELIZABETH DORE, Assistant Professor of History
JOHN WEEKS, Professor of International Politics

2
The Gorbachev Revolution
Soviet Russia has become a scene of wide-ranging policy initiatives that, if implemented, will affect virtually every aspect of Soviet life. Drawing on a variety of print and visual materials, this course examines the short-term results and the long-term prospects of Gorbachev's program.
MICHAEL KRAUS, Associate Professor of Political Science
DAVID A.J. MACEY, Associate Professor of History

3
Gamaliel's Town
Gamaliel Painter shaped the fabric and history of his town and took a direct role in the construction of a number of its most significant buildings. This course will attempt to bring to life the Middlebury of the late 18th century.
GLENN ANDRES, Professor of Art

4
Man and Disease
Life expectancy at birth has increased dramatically in the Western world in the past 50 years. Does this mean that we are healthier? What is the global perspective on disease?
PAM SMALL, Assistant Professor of Biology

5
The Plays of Harold Pinter and Tom Stoppard
Pinter's work has been described as the "comedy of menace," while Stoppard is the master of the literary allusion, dazzling wordplay, and philosophical speculation. The course will discuss the modern British theatre.
RICHARD ROMAGNOLI, Assistant Professor of Theatre
CHERYL FARAONE, Assistant Professor of Theatre

6
A Miscellany
"Greatness in our Time: The Art of Anselm Kiefer" (John Hunisak, Art); "Fate and Superstition; Harriet Doerr's *Stone for Ibarra*" (Brett Millier, American Literature); "Artists and Environmentalists in the Post-Modern Era" (David Napier, Art and Anthropology); "Earthquakes and Volcanoes" (Ray Coish, Geology); "The 1988 Presidential Election: Candidates, Media, and Parties" (Eric Davis, Political Science); "On the Margins of Literature and Sanity: the Voices of Women in 'The Yellow Wallpaper' and 'To Room 19'" (Diana Henderson, English); "Vienna's Ringstrasse" (Kimberly Sparks, German).

Covering 12 meals, four nights of lodging, tuition, and books, the cost for the Bread Loaf Alumni College is $325/person or $600/couple, payable upon registration. The cost for younger alumni (Classes 1973-88) is $275/person or $500/couple. Recreational opportunities include tennis, golf, swimming, and hiking.

For more information, please write or call: ALUMNI COLLEGE, MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE, P.O. BOX 500, MIDDLEBURY VT 05353, (802) 388-3711, ext. 5183

MIDD UPDATE

Stafford salute

On the same day that President Ronald Reagan signed into law an $8.3 billion education bill bearing the name of U.S. Senator Robert Stafford, the Class of 1935 graduate was honored by the College at a Washington, D.C. dinner.

Over 100 Middlebury alumni and friends gathered to hear tributes to Stafford from, among others, Walter Mears '56, former Associated Press bureau chief in Washington (now executive editor and vice president), Vermont's U.S. Rep. James Jeffords and Senator Patrick Leahy, and Rhode Island Senators Claiborne Pell and John Chaffe. Other special guests at the dinner included: Helen Kelley Stafford '38 and their four daughters, including Susan Stafford Mohr '67 and Madelyn Stafford-Glase '63; Susan Comstock Crampton '63, Vermont Secretary of Transportation; and Stafford Classmates Col. Arthur Williams '35, executive director of the Armed Forces Industrial College, and Anthony Costaldo '35, retired president of the New York Race Track Employees Local 276. Betty Ann Cooper Kane '63, a Washington, D.C. city councilwoman, read a council resolution declaring Stafford a friend of the District.

Beginning with his election as attorney general in 1953, Stafford held every major statewide office in Vermont—lieutenant governor, governor, U.S. representative, and U.S. senator (a feature profile will appear in the December 1988 issue of *Middlebury Magazine*, when Stafford retires from the Senate). Classmate Costaldo remembered that even when they entered Middlebury in 1931, Stafford intended to be "exactly what he is—a politician." Mears, who covered Stafford during his term as lieutenant governor, told a story from a football teammate who also knew that Stafford would one day be a politician: "He said that every time he'd pass the ball to Stafford," Mears smiled, Stafford "passed it right back."

Education has been a special Stafford interest during his years in Washington. In signing Stafford's education bill, President Reagan also noted that the Guaranteed Student Loan Program, which each year provides funding for three million college students, has been renamed the Robert T. Stafford Student Loan Program.

Betty Ann Cooper Kane '63, Washington, D.C. city councilwoman, gives U.S. Senator Robert Stafford '35 a council resolution declaring Stafford a friend of the District.

Safari!

Stretching across 126 square miles, Tanzania's Ngorongoro Crater is an enormous, naturally-made wildlife pen; the rim reaches 7,900 feet above sea level, with the crater floor 5,577 feet below the rim.

When Joan Viebranz '88 talks about the Middlebury-sponsored Kenya-Tanzania Adventure Safari, she says Ngorongoro "was worth the whole trip." Viebranz and 20 Middlebury alumni, parents, and friends set out from New York in January for a three-week tour of East Africa. Among them was Barbara Barrett Heekin '54, whose husband Ken made this trip an anniversary surprise. The group was led by Professor of History John Spencer and Provost and Professor of Mathematics Bruce Peterson '56. Peterson, who is an avid bird watcher, provided a running commentary on the wildlife of Africa. Spencer gave a short course on East African history.

For Middlebury Student Viebranz it was more than a chance to see another part of the world; when the rest of the group departed from Nairobi, she stayed on for an additional week to do research and complete a winter term course credit.

When the alumni office announced the Africa trip last summer, it enrolled so quickly that a second tour was scheduled. Stephen Trombulak, assistant professor of biology, and Joan Todd, director of the College's Parents Program, led that group of 15.

For information about future alumni tours, write to Hugh Marlow, director of alumni relations, at the College.

Warm up

"The track team needs a place that's predictably warm in the spring," says Coach Gail Smith. Middlebury in March doesn't fit the bill. "We decided this year we'd try Tampa, Florida."

For several years, spring training trips to warmer climes have been helpful for baseball and men's and women's lacrosse. The trips allow the teams to get a head start on their seasons—and they help build team spirit. The track team—a group which included 33 students and 4 coaches—took its first spring break training trip this year.

In preparing for the trip Smith wrote to Tampa area alumni and asked for assis-

tance. When Susan Soltis Shaw '77 received her letter, she "sat on it" for a while. Finally, she and her husband Myril '77, "decided to call and check and to my surprise found that we really were needed."

The Shaws invited the students and coaches to their home for a cook-out one evening. "I'd do it again in a minute," Shaw continues. "What was most amazing to us was to find that even after 11 years, Middlebury people are still the same."

In the footsteps of Grant and Lee

On September 17, 1862, Major General Ambrose Burnside and the 12,500 Union soldiers under his command spent three precious hours capturing a 12 foot wide, 125 foot long bridge over Antietam Creek; the Confederate forces opposing them numbered only 400. Those three hours were among the bloodiest of the Civil War, as 500 Yankees and 120 Rebels died. To this day the Antietam span is called Burnside Bridge (the General's side whiskers and mustache, with clean shaven chin, also gave his name to "sideburns").

When Frank Punderson '55 walked across the bridge last March, he just shook his head at Burnside's folly—and the resulting carnage. With a group of 21 Middlebury alumni, parents and friends, he was part of an Alumni College tour of four significant Civil War battle sites.

John McCardell, professor of history, and Barbara Bellows, assistant professor of history, led the group to the Harper's Ferry, Manassas, Antietam, and Gettysburg battlefields.

FROM THE MCAA: Scholars who are athletes

The *Yale Daily News Insider's Guide to Colleges* says of Middlebury, "For that breed of athlete known as the scholar skier, there is probably no better choice." You can take that one step further and say that Middlebury can be a great place for men and women scholar-athletes in any of the College's 22 intercollegiate sports!

The alumni association has recently begun to increase its efforts in helping the College recruit top scholar-athletes. Two directors on the alumni association board share responsibilities for coordinating alumni involvement in athletics. Susan Pevear '78 was a history major who played varsity tennis for four years, before going on to work in sports management consulting; she's currently working on a master's in business administration at Babson. Jeremy Smith '68 was a hockey player and an economics major, and he's gone on to a career in investment counseling, currently with the Boston firm of Scudder Stevens & Clark.

Their task is primarily to enlist the help of alumni in identifying top scholar-athletes around the country, and, within the rules of the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the New England Small College Athletic Conference, to encourage those scholar-athletes to choose Middlebury for their college education.

The limitations posed by those rules—and by Middlebury's high admissions standards—are real. Under NESCAC rules, for instance, Middlebury coaches aren't allowed to visit prospective scholar-athletes; all personal contacts must be made by mail or by telephone. Alumni who are recruiting athletes for the College are considered agents for the athletic department, and they must follow the same rules—no visit to the prospective student's home or to a practice with the intention of talking with the student.

But that doesn't rule out alumni assistance with recruiting, by any means. In the Boston area, for example, a group of 12 alumni are working with Jeffrey Angers '80, athletics director of the Boston Middlebury Alumni Association, a loan officer with Shawmut Bank, and a biology major who played hockey and baseball while at Middlebury. They have been actively collecting the names of outstanding scholar-athletes and forwarding them to the Middlebury athletic department. They read local newspapers closely and talk with coaches; they drop in on high school athletic contests. In other words, they serve as additional eyes and ears in the Boston area for Middlebury athletics.

Angers and his group simply forward the names to the College; they initially make no direct contact with the prospective scholar athlete. The coaches and admissions office staff do the follow-up, deciding whether the prospective candidate seems to meet Middlebury admissions standards and whether the candidate's athletic skills match up with Middlebury needs and requirements. Like any other candidates for admission to Middlebury, scholar-athletes tend to be in the top ten percent of their high school class academically. In terms of athletic ability, the standards are similarly high; Middlebury teams play at the top level of Division III athletics in New England and at the top of Division I nationally in skiing.

Just sending in names doesn't end Angers' involvement, however. When the athletic department decides to pursue a candidate, Angers or a member of his group might then be asked to place a phone call or to write a letter to the candidate encouraging them to consider applying to Middlebury. Once a candidate is admitted, a phone call from Angers and his group can be helpful in encouraging the scholar athlete to choose Middlebury.

Pevear and Smith hope to extend this kind of network to other areas of the country. Each of the new formal alumni chapters have board positions for athletics, and it is hoped they will be able to duplicate

They remarked on the different historical perspectives that group members brought to the tour, which included alumni from the classes of 1933 to 1980.

Another Civil War Alumni College is already in the planning stage. Charleston, S.C., and the battlefields of Virginia have been mentioned as possible sites. Contact the alumni office for more information.

A class class

The Class of 1988 began looking forward to Commencement on November 4, when it held a "200 Days 'Til Graduation" party. And a 30-member senior core committee continued to work hard at building class spirit.

In addition to a full schedule of social activities (including a 100 Days party and a clambake), the group undertook an

the Boston effort.

The role of the scholar athlete in the Middlebury community is an important one. At a place like Middlebury, academics come first; sports are a demanding extracurricular activity that requires students to make sacrifices in other parts of their lives in order to fulfill academic goals. The best scholar-athletes have a disciplined, dedicated, and persevering approach to life. A proper appreciation of the educational value of athletics training and competition, coupled with serious work in the classroom, can combine for a powerful Middlebury experience.

Outstanding scholar-athletes who have gone on to future success include, to name only a few:

U.S. Senator Robert Stafford '35 of Vermont, was a political science major and football player at Middlebury. Susan Storer '75, an M.B.A. graduate of the Tuck School of Business and now manager of corporate finance at Pillsbury in Minneapolis, played field hockey, lacrosse, and tennis while majoring in history. Andrew Varney '84 played football and lacrosse as a mathematics major, before going on to Harvard Law and then the Boston firm of Hale and Dorr. John Kirk '39, political science major, was a star receiver for Middlebury's undefeated 1936 football team, and later a College trustee and president of John M. Kirk Co., Inc. William Admirand '55 majored in biochemistry and played football and lacrosse; he got his M.D. from Wake Forest University and went on to set up a practice in Nevada as a gastroenterologist. Cecil Forster '64, a political science major who played basketball and football, received his J.D. from St. John's University and is now professor of law at Pace University. Sarah Beeton '83, a graduate of the University of Virginia's law school and a trusts and estates attorney with the New York City firm of White and Case, starred in field hockey and as an American studies major.

If alumni and other friends of the College are interested in getting involved in the scholar-athlete program, they can contact the athletic department directly. Gail Smith and Russ Reilly, assistant directors of athletics, can be reached by writing Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt., 05753. To reach Sue Pevear or Jere Smith, send a letter to the alumni office and it will be forwarded. Middlebury's scholar athlete program needs your help!

—Dorrie Landry Bonner '59 and Susan Pevear '78

Jere Smith '68 (left), athletics co-chair with Susan Pevear '78 on the MCAA Board of Directors, wants to raise awareness about Middlebury's Scholar-Athlete Program.

ALUMNI CALENDAR

July

10-22 Alaska Tour—Professor Robert Churchill, Geography

14 Cape Cod Reception

27 New York Harbor Cruise

30 Hartford Picnic

August

3 Boston Harbor Cruise

8/31-9/4 Alumni College XIII—Bread Loaf

28 Picnic/Vineyard Tour—Little Compton, RI

September

9-10 Gordon C. Perine Alumni Golf Tournament—Middlebury

30-10/1 Parents Weekend I

TBA Young Alumni Receptions—Boston, New York

October

14-16 Middlebury College—Homecoming Weekend (Class of '36 get-together)

21-23 Parents Weekend II

27 Boston—President Robison Lecture on U.S./Soviet Relations

December

13 Holiday Reception—Boston

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amibitious class gift drive, in the hopes of raising enough to landscape and build a new children's playground on Storrs Park, between Twilight Hall and the main College campus. Setting goals of $5,000 and 52 percent participation, by late April the class had raised $4,375 with a senior class record of 66 percent making gifts.

Class of 1988 celebrations culminated during the week preceding Commencement with a sunset and then a starlight cruise on Lake Champlain (students were bused back and forth), a "Terrace Party" harkening back to Freshman Week 1984, and the showing of a senior slide show, which included pictures taken by class members during their four years at Middlebury.

Peter Schaff

Soprano Nancy Krumm Sichler '71 was one of three alumni soloists who joined Professor Emory Fanning and the Middlebury College Choir on the Alice Tully Hall stage in March.

Middlebury goes to Midtown

Over 700 Middlebury alumni, parents, and friends celebrated with the Middlebury College Choir at the end of March, as the choir finished its 1988 spring break tour with a gala concert at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall.

Audiences in Concord, N.H., Boston, Hartford, and Philadelphia got previews of the Tully Hall concert. Under the direction of Emory Fanning, Fletcher Professor in the Arts, the choir performed works by Lassus, Telemann, Durufle, Mendelssohn, and Mozart.

Special thanks from the choir and the alumni office go to the alumni who arranged housing in each tour city: William '71 and Sharon Galligan Johnson '68 of Concord, N.H.; Richard '75 and Deborah Adams Leavitt '77 of Boxborough, Mass.; Diane Olinger Robinson '79 of Simsbury, Conn.; and Ben '83 and Susan Rose Merrick '83 of Philadelphia, Pa. And of course, further thanks go to the alumni and parents who opened their homes.

"A unique, 100% cotton t-shirt to treasure always" features a Woody Jackson '70 cow scene on the front—and a message on the back: "No Greener Pastures—Middlebury Cowllege Class of '88." Three members of the Senior Core Committee—James Calise, Wendy McDonnell, and Michelle Dube—presented President Olin Robison with a t for free; seniors paid $10.

Alumni chapter updates

BOSTON. In the Boston Middlebury Alumni Association's most recent newsletter, Chapter President Churchill Franklin '71 reports that 400 alumni contributed volunteer time as admissions inteviewers for the College over the last 12 months. In addition, 63 alumni participated on the association's ten committees. One idea for the future: The association hopes to put together a directory of Boston area alumni.

HARTFORD. Chapter President, Peter Steinle '62

DENVER. Chapter President, Henry Romaine '86

MIDD VERMONT. A new president, Tiffany Nourse Sargent '79, will lead the chapter in its second year of formal recognition by the College.

PHILADELPHIA. Chapter President, Nancy Thomsen Rand '52

WASHINGTON, D.C. Alumni in the Washington area celebrated with congressional, government and education leaders at a dinner on April 28th to honor the career of Senator Robert Stafford '35, who retires from the Senate this year. The chapter will sponsor a cruise on the Potomac on June 29th with Clarkson and St. Lawrence Universities. Dan Jacobs '79, chapter leader, reminds alumni of the Midd-Week Midd-Evenings held the first Wednesday of every month. The location changes each month so for the latest information check with Dan at (202) 633-4076.

Midd Update was compiled by Amy Hastings and Ed Ernst

Stuffed cabbage, festival variety

In the kitchen, as in the classroom, suggests an art historian, the key to success is enjoying the detailed preparation.
By John Hunisak

Erik Borg

Stuffed cabbage leaves are one of the staples of Eastern European cooking; they can be found in most of the cuisines of Western Europe, as well. A recipe for them almost seems a contradiction in terms; stuffed cabbage (or *howoupci* as my grandmothers called them) might better be regarded as a principle of life to be embraced rather than a recipe to be followed. They can be very simple "staple food," or an elaborate dish meant for celebration.

What I'm suggesting here belongs to the latter category; the set of procedures that I will outline takes six to eight hours from beginning to presentation at table. There are so many steps involved that I enjoy making the preparation into part of the experience for all the guests involved. I believe that there is no better way to spend time with friends than to cook with them; everyone gets assigned crucial tasks to do while visiting, sipping premium beer and (in the best of all worlds) listening to opera as the perfect musical accompaniment.

There is no such thing as an "authentic" way to make stuffed cabbage. Even within a single region, drastic differences occur. My two grandmothers were from Polish villages only a few miles apart (actually, there was no Poland at the time they lived there; their native region near Crakow had been absorbed into Austria-Hungary; they were subjects of Emperor Franz Josef when they chose to emigrate to America). Grandma Molesky always made her *howoupci* with bacon and cooked them on top of the stove; Grandma Hunisak wouldn't hear of such a thing—hers were simpler and were always baked in the oven.

What I'm proposing here is a synthesis of what I remember most vividly about the way both grandmothers made the dish they were proudest to produce for their families. I also learned what I regard as indispensible variants from two marvelous ladies whose names I never knew but who, during my years of graduate study at the Institute of Fine Arts in New York, cooked every weekday at the Atran Center for Jewish Culture at the corner of 78th Street and Madison Avenue; the cafeteria there served the cheapest, most soul-warming food in all of Manhattan and sustained both me and a whole generation of art historians in-the-making through their graduate studies. Finally, making the dish at different times over the years with two great friends—Carla McKesson '80 and Marina Carasso Coneeny—has indelibly changed my ideas about flavorings and procedures. This is therefore an eclectic recipe which recalls some of my happiest experiences.

There are three separate procedures prior to assembling the *howoupci*: making a tomato-based sauce, cooking the separate ingredients which are used as the stuffing, and preparing the cabbage leaves. Here are the procedures in the order I always follow. There will be enough to feed a dozen hungry people, with leftovers.

THE TOMATO-BASED SAUCE

—1/4 cup peanut or olive oil
—2 quarts canned tomatoes (I prefer unsalted imported Italian ones)

John Hunisak is Christian A. Johnson Professor of Art. His research interests include Manet, Rodin, Dalou, and Caravaggio.

—2 very large yellow onions, finely chopped (about 4 cups)
—3 tablespoons brown sugar
—1/2 cup vinegar (I prefer French champagne vinegar; cider vinegar will do, but not red wine vinegar)
—1 tablespoon dried red pepper flakes

In a heavy pot (enamelled cast iron is perfect; you will want at least a four-quart pot; six would be better) cook onions in oil until transparent (browned edges on the onions give a good taste if not overdone). Add tomatoes, breaking them up by mashing them against the side of the pan with wooden spoon. Add red pepper flakes. Cook uncovered over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until sauce is quite thick (approximately one hour). Add vinegar and brown sugar and continue cooking for another ten or fifteen minutes to incorporate flavors. Caution: do not overcook at this point. The sugar will burn, imparting a bitter taste, to say nothing about making the pot impossible to clean!

While the sauce is cooking, proceed with the following:

INGREDIENTS FOR STUFFING

—Cook 1 cup long grained white rice, stirred with two tablespoons oil in a heavy pot, with 2 cups chicken stock (you can cheat here and use a good canned variety like "College Inn" or even bouillion cubes) uncovered, stirring occasionally, until liquid is absorbed.
—Cut 1 medium (i.e., 1 to 1 1/2 pounds) *kielbasa* (Polish sausage) into small cubes, no larger than 1/2 inch in diameter and saute in a large heavy skillet over medium heat, until it has given up most of its fat; remove nicely-browned pieces with a slotted spoon; drain and blot thoroughly with paper towels
—Saute 1 pound lean bacon until cooked, but not crisp; drain and blot thoroughly with paper towels; cut into small pieces.
—Saute 3 pounds lean ground beef in a heavy skillet, stirring to break up pieces until meat is browned; drain and blot thoroughly with paper towels.
—Saute 2 very large yellow onions finely chopped (again, approximately 4 cups) in 2 tablespoons oil, until transparent and lightly browned on edges.
—In large mixing bowl, combine cooked rice, *kielbasa* and bacon pieces, ground beef, and onion with the following flavorings: 1 cup coarsely chopped fresh parsley, 3 tablespoons coarsely ground black pepper (grinding Telicherry peppercorns by hand in a mortar and pestle produces the most flavorful results), 3 tablespoons caraway seeds, 1 1/2 cups raisins (I prefer dark seeded muscats); set aside.

Stuffed cabbage—or howoupci, as my grandmothers called them—might better be regarded as a principle of life to be embraced rather than a recipe to be followed.

PREPARATION OF CABBAGE LEAVES

—Choose three very large cabbages with unbroken leaves; these should be firm and the leaves should be tightly packed together.
—Boil eight or ten quarts of water in a pot large enough to hold a whole cabbage at once.
—With a very sharp paring knife, cut away the cores of the cabbages and discard them. Gently lower the whole head of cabbage into the boiling water and let cook for 3-5 minutes; as the outside leaves loosen, remove them from the water with a pair of tongs (this is the step Craig Claiborne always gets wrong!) and drain them; continue removing leaves every 3-5 minutes until at least 12 large leaves have been removed; if possible, continue removing large leaves until it is apparent that they have become too small for stuffing; then remove and set aside what remains of the cabbage; repeat the procedure with the other cabbages.
—Each partially-cooked, drained leaf will have a large spine down its middle for at least half the length of the leaf; this spine will make it very difficult or impossible to wrap the leaf around the stuffing; to correct this structural idiosyncracy, lay each leaf flat on a horizontal surface with spine side upward, and with a sharp knife cut through the spine *horizontally*; this will reduce the spine to approximately the same thickness as the leaf itself and render the altered leaf into a pliable wrapping for the stuffing.

ASSEMBLAGE

—You will need one very large roasting pan or two smaller ones; they should be at least two inches deep.
—Coarsely chop the remaining centers of the partially-cooked cabbages as if you were making cole slaw; strew this cabbage on bottom of roasting pans to a depth of 1/4 to 1/2 inch.
—Divide tomato-based sauce between roasting pans and spread evenly over the cut cabbage pieces.
—Begin wrapping of prepared cabbage leaves around stuffing mixture: lay each leaf flat with its inside face toward you; place about 1/4 cup of stuffing mixture about 1/3 of the way up the cabbage leaf away from you and consolidate it into a compact mass with your fingers; roll the bottom of the leaf over the stuffing, then fold both sides over toward the center and roll the packet away from you until the stuffing is fully encased in cabbage leaf (this takes some practice; expect the first two or three to be failures; you will soon get the hang of it, and before long you will be able to convince strangers that you too had a Polish grandmother!).
—Lay the stuffed cabbage leaves side by side in the roasting pan on top of the sauce; pack them quite closely together; continue procedure until the roasting pans are full of stuffed leaves in a single layer; you should have approximately three dozen cabbage rolls; *do not try to make more than one layer in a single roasting pan.*
—Pour chicken stock over the stuffed cabbage leaves until they are about half submerged in it.
—Roast in a 350 degree F. oven for approximately 1 1/2 hours in the uncovered roasting pans, frequently basting the stuffed cabbage leaves; they will eventually turn a rich, dark brown; let sit at room temperature for about a half hour before serving; the cabbage rolls will absorb remaining liquid during this time.
—This procedure can be done the day before, and the cabbage rolls can be reheated without any loss of flavor, but they should be covered when reheated (allow about an hour at 350 degrees).

—Particularly good first courses to accompany this main dish are mushroom soup made with wild mushrooms, or filets of herring; a simple potato dish and good rye bread with sweet butter are perfect accompaniments; one of the new American premium beers would be particularly good to drink with it, as are German or Alsatian white wines (I especially like Gewurtztraminer with this dish).

STUDENT TALK

The Accidental Feminist

A student decides that her interest in women's issues isn't just personal.

By Kirsten Keppel '90

I never meant for it to happen. I never meant to be a feminist at Middlebury. But two years into my academic journey through the College, the editor of this magazine wanted someone to write about women's studies here—and he told me that I was the obvious choice.

I never even thought about "women's studies" as a distinct area until my senior year of high school, when I took a course on women in American history. Through that course I realized that in American history as it regularly gets taught, women don't seem to play much of a role. Women haven't voiced their own experiences or seen it reflected in stories and historical accounts written by other women.

Still, even then, I didn't think of it as *women's* studies; women in American history just seemed like a natural thing to study at Stone Ridge, a private Catholic high school run by the Society of the Sacred Heart. Most of my teachers and all of my classmates were women. And when you learn from women, work with them in administrative positions, and see women shaping and directing their own lives, you don't waste time thinking about what women can't do. The issue simply doesn't come up.

Kirsten Keppel is a French major from Kensington, Md. Co-coordinator for the Women's Union during the school year just past, she will spend her junior year abroad at Middlebury's program in Paris.

Soon after I arrived at Middlebury, I noticed that the activities directory listed something called the Women's Union. I sought out their table at the student activities fair early in the year, eager to see what women were doing here.

Amid the din of McCullough gym, I found the table—and the green and white "ERA YES" stickers plastered all over it were a shock. I was suspicious and disappointed. This looked like a political grassroots group yelling for "women's rights." I hadn't come to Middlebury to yell. Furthermore, I thought ERA would legalize abortion, which Catholics are supposed to be against.

But the green and white "69 cents" buttons—signifying that for every $1.00 earned by men, women earn $.69—were compelling. We still don't have a law requiring equal pay for equal work, and women don't get a 31 percent discount on life's necessities. And I thought, "my Middlebury degree is being paid for by ungendered money." So I started going to Women's Union meetings.

"The ERA is up for ratification in Vermont this year," Kim Wallace '87, the president, told us at our first dinner meeting; there were six or seven of us there that evening. The Women's Union would work with the Middlebury chapter of the National Organization for Women and Senator Patrick Leahy's campaign to pass the ERA, an equal rights amendment to the state constitution. We handed out pamphlets on campus and in town explaining sex discrimination in Vermont housing laws and advocating ERA as a way to achieve equal pay for equal work in Vermont. Many Vermont women head poor and single-parent households; the ERA would help. Obviously Vermont needed the ERA, I felt. Of course the ERA, otherwise known as Proposal One, would pass.

But Proposal One caused pandemonium in the Green Mountains. A group that came to be known as "ERAids" launched a series of radio commercials in which a concerned parent, often a woman, crooned, "I want my children to grow up in an AIDS-free state. Vermont won't be the same for my children if it legalizes homosexual marriages. I want Vermont schools to educate happy, healthy children." Guitar music strummed along in the background while this soothing voice advised listeners to "vote no on Proposal One."

They were twisting the truth!, I yelled in my room. They were distorting, misusing, and falsifying information! What kind of state was I living in?

A few days before the vote, another bombshell was dropped. Students who voted in Vermont, we were told, would lose residency in their home state. They would be ineligible for grant or scholarship money from their home state, and their parents could no longer claim them as dependents on income tax forms. We discovered too late that this was false information—who knows how many student votes it cost us.

On election day, the Women's Union telephoned registered Democrats in nearby towns from Leahy headquarters in Middlebury's Frog Hollow. I must have called eighty residents of Cornwall, Bridport, Shoreham, and Weybridge. "The Senator has asked me to convey his personal thanks for your support and remind you to vote today," I said time and time again.

The ERA was defeated in Vermont by just 2,000 votes. The defeat made me realize how far we have to go to achieve legal justice in Vermont—even though our governor is a woman.

As my career as an activist developed, so did my academic interest in women's studies. I've taken three such courses in my two years at Middlebury: "Women Writers in France" with Bethany Ladimer (assistant professor of French), "Feminism and Religion" with Katherine Sonderegger (visiting instructor of religion), and "Fiction by American

Women" with Joanne Jacobson (assistant professor of American literature).

Why women's studies courses? It's a question I've been asked often, but I'm never sure people are really listening when I answer.

I am a woman. Other women educated me and helped shape my life so far. It's important to me to be part of a world where women are capable, intelligent, and respected. That includes academia, in which women's artistic, literary, historical, and scientific contributions are often overlooked.

Women's studies is a legitimate intellectual pursuit, and now it is a part of the College curriculum. So it surprises me that other professors and students often speak of these courses as "minority" studies. I've heard intelligent people call women's studies "separatist," "irrelevant," and an "academic ghetto."

Sometimes defending my women's studies courses gets political—and personal. "You're really a radical feminist, aren't you, pro-ERA and all that?" I remember a friend of mine asking me last year.

"Why does taking a women's studies course and being in favor of ERA make me radical?" I responded. "That's buying into a stereotype."

"Don't you want to get married?" she said reproachfully. "Don't you want to have children? Are you one of those career women who wants to put off kids until you're 40? I want to get married and have kids and be supported by my husband. I want to be a mother."

"So do I," I said, "but I want to work. I'm going to have to anyway. I'd better be prepared to support myself when I leave here!"

"Of course you need a skill, something to fall back on," she said, "but your husband should be the provider if he can be."

The more I defended myself, the more I was surprised by my growing reputation as "Kirsten, the campus feminist," or "the girl who's really into women's issues."

Then the opinions page editor for *The Campus*, who also happened to be an insightful man in my French women writers course, asked me to write about the first "Women's Week" at Middlebury, sponsored by some of the women's studies faculty members and the Women's Union. "March is National Women's History month, not that you would ever know it at Middlebury, were it not for the Women's Union and Women's Culture Series' presentation of Women's Week," I wrote. "For a college that places such emphasis on raising consciousness and challenging stereotypes, Middlebury is years behind in its perception and treatment of women....

Sometimes defending my women's studies courses gets political—and personal. "You're really a radical feminist, aren't you, pro-ERA and all that?" a friend asked me. "Don't you want to get married?"

"There is still an overwhelming feeling that women are subservient to men in leadership roles and the pursuit of a career. Some women seem to be here for their M.R.S. degree, hoping to meet a future husband who will provide for them and relieve them from ever having to earn an income. ...Women are not brought up to think of themselves as individuals who can achieve their own success and establish an independent adult identity. ...We need to be co-ed in more than our bathrooms. We need to have a co-ed consciousness as well."

My article got immediate response. "Hey, Kristin," one guy said, not even getting my name right as he passed me on the way to the mailroom, "looking for your M.R.S. degree?"

"So, you're a stark raving feminist, eh? At Middlebury?" said another.

"I'm just telling you this for your own good," said a friend. "If you want to meet men, you're going to have to tone down the feminist stances."

But I also got a wonderful letter from Brett Millier, an assistant professor of American literature. She mentioned that she had started a women's studies discussion group; faculty and students were meeting once a week to discuss women's issues on campus. "Your voice rings out like a clear bell-tone among a lot of muddled responses," she wrote. "Your presence in the group would be very much valued."

So what's going on?" Brett often says to get the ball rolling. "Anything happening on campus that you want to discuss?" The group generally runs to a dozen or so students, staff, and faculty members—mostly women, although a few men drop in from time to time. The group's purpose is to discuss issues of everyday life.

"I didn't want to bring this up before, but now I think it's time," said a blond woman with an earnest expression, jumping in one day after Brett's question. (I'm reconstructing this conversation as I remember it.) "I was at a fraternity party over the weekend with some friends, and while I was standing in the hall some guy came up to me. He was drunk, and he just kissed me hard on the mouth and then pushed me away. I was really scared! I didn't know what I was supposed to do—I felt that if I went after him or complained to the other guys that they'd just laugh at me. That kind of thing shouldn't be allowed to happen. It was bad enough, what he did, but the whole atmosphere discouraged me from speaking up."

"That qualifies as sexual harassment,"

Brett said. "What do people think about fraternities on this campus?"

"They've got entirely too much power," said another student. "I mean, they provide 80 percent of Middlebury's social life, but women can't go there without being treated as objects. Women have to go as 'invited guests,' but I don't think it's fair."

I was disappointed. "If you don't like the fraternity atmosphere then why do you go to the parties?" I said. "I know they create a lot of social life here for people, but you can have a good social life and not go to the frats. I've never been to a fraternity party, and don't intend to go to one.

"Why don't you go?" somebody said.

"Because of the reasons you just gave me. I've heard from other people that fraternities tend to be sexist and that parties can be bacchanalian feasts, and I don't think everyone has to go. I also don't think you can say that every party is like that, but I've heard some of them are. So why go?"

"Fraternities provide most of the social life here, and people have friends who go to these parties. People want to do things with their friends," said a student. "What are you supposed to do if your friends want to go to Chi Psi or Deke on a Friday night—stay home and say 'sorry, it's against my feminist principles?'"

Problems at fraternities came up often this year. So did other topics: Should we have a women's house on campus? What do people think about the literary studies program's master list, which has no women authors on it? Do students experience sexism in the classroom and from their peers? Is it fair to women that fraternities occupy the best housing on campus and women have no house, not even a room of their own for discussion and socializing?

Words sometimes carry over into action. Last year the sexist jokes at the Winter Carnival nightclub caused an outcry from women in our group. An example: "What's the difference between a Middlebury woman and a toilet? A toilet doesn't follow you around after you're finished using it." This year Julia Foote '88, a regular women's group participant, was the first woman emcee of a Winter Carnival nightclub.

At times I think the discussions verge on male-bashing. I've taken male friends along, and they've told me they have nothing to contribute. "It seemed like a psychological female therapy session," said one friend. "I think it's fine if it exists, but I had nothing to say to those women."

"That's why I go, though," I told him. "Because at Middlebury when people express their feelings and opinions about sexism, other people refer to them as 'those women.'"

My biggest test as a campus feminist came at what seemed like the worst possible moment.

I had seen Delta Upsilon's "Toga Party" t-shirts and plastic cups ("for bottomless beer") being sold during the week-long build up to their big end-of-the-year bash. Over the weekend, I noted the men running around in bed sheets. But I wasn't thinking much about parties because I had to get two term papers done.

On Monday morning a friend stopped me on the sidewalk to ask if I'd heard about "the mannequin" that had been hanging with a rope around its neck in front of DU over the weekend—and literally hanging over the Saturday afternoon porch party with several hundred people in attendance. The breasts of the woman mannequin had been spray-painted red, he explained, and the words "Random Hole," had been painted, also in red, across the back.

The news made me angry; I was strangely furious at him. "I don't know anything about it," I said coolly, "and I don't know anyone who went to Toga. If I hear anything about it, I'll let you know."

I was angry, in part, because it was the first week of finals, and I had a lot of work to do. I was also in the midst of packing and storing my belongings and filling out forms to prepare for my junior year abroad at the Middlebury School in Paris. The mannequin sounded like a stupid and awful prank—but then again, from my view, outrageous incidents at fraternity parties are nothing new.

On the other hand, this image was particularly horrifying and violent. That's why my friend had sought me out. And what made me angry, perhaps, was that he was quietly suggesting that people like me ought to take some action. I frankly didn't like being placed in the role of the feminist who would have to "yell" about this.

That night Nicole Gray, president of the Women's Union for next year, and some of her friends asked me if I'd heard about the mannequin. We decided to go the deans and see what could be done.

A lot could be done, it turned out. I was an invited participant in the Community Council hearing on Friday, May 13, where Dean of the College John Emerson's proposal to terminate the fraternity generated heated debate. I presented a statement that called for punishing the entire fraternity—not individuals—and considering its termination; the night before the hearing, at a meeting of concerned students, 45 students and several faculty and staff members had signed.

The Community Council forwarded a recommendation to President Robison that DU be suspended from regular activities for a year; the fraternity's status would be reviewed after that year—and one requirement for reinstatement would be that DU members help develop and participate in an educational program about sexism, violence, and discrimination against women. President Robison accepted the recommendation.

A couple days after the hearing, but before President Robison's decision, Nicole Gray and I received an invitation to dinner from Mark Lahive '89, the president of Delta Upsilon, with several other members of the fraternity. We gladly accepted.

"Try and understand," a DU brother said to me (I'm quoting from memory). "Men want a place where they can go and watch football together and just hang out. They want to be with their friends and they want to be in a house."

"Hey, I'm all for community and hanging out," I said to him. "But you have to realize that for men at Middlebury there are six communities that a guy can choose from to find friends and hang out. Do you realize that women don't have those options here?"

"I don't know anyone who's against women having a house here," he said.

"No, it's not enough to not be against it," Mark corrected him. "We have to advocate it."

Gratified, I made the point again: "There aren't equal structures for women here."

Though I won't be here next year, I support the efforts of DU to work with the Women's Union. I hope that they can be effective advocates for a women's house and for an end to sexism and violence—real and implied—against women.

Women's studies is like any other liberal arts discipline; it teaches you mastery of a vocabulary, history, and literature and encourages you to apply what you've learned to life situations. My women's studies courses, along with my French and English and political science courses, have given me tools to understand the world around me—and a stronger voice to use in that world.

Recently I went out to dinner with a friend and his parents. It was an expensive meal. "We'll have to wash the dishes to pay for this. All women and children to the kitchen!" my friend needled me. I squinted back and calmly told him not to worry because, "We'll make a feminist out of you yet!"

"A feminist?" said his father. "What's that?"

AROUND THE HILL

A new dean of students

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Update on minority concerns

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Fraternity suspension

Mikhail Sleptsov (left), chief of foreign relations in the Soviet Ministry of Higher Education, and Shavkat Alimov, rector at Tashkent State University, look on as Robin Poluhowich '88 runs a Macintosh.

Erik Borg

Glasnost—in the form of Soviet undergraduates—comes to Middlebury

In early August, 52 undergraduate students from the Soviet Union will arrive at Middlebury to begin what educators in both countries acknowledge to be a bold adventure in Soviet-American relations. After a one-month introduction to American life at the College, the students will travel in groups of two and three to 24 American colleges, where, as Middlebury President Olin Robison says, "They will live in the dormitories. They will be regular students, rooming with Americans."

Under an agreement signed at the College in March, the following year approximately 50 American students will attend colleges and universities throughout the Soviet Union to complete the exchange; at that time, if all goes well, the Soviets will send another group of their students here.

The "Middlebury Summit," as people on campus took to calling it in March, concluded 14 months of negotiations between the Soviet Ministry of Higher Education and what has been formally titled the American Collegiate Consortium for East-West Cultural and Academic Exchange. Based at Middlebury, the consortium now includes 24 American liberal arts colleges.

Raymond Benson, director of the consortium and adjunct professor of Soviet studies, began negotiating details of the agreement last summer, after retiring as cultural affairs officer at the U.S. embassy in Moscow. Those negotiations followed an initial inquiry made by Benson, President Robison, Sarah Lawrence College President Alice Ilchman, and Swarthmore College President David Fraser, who approached Soviet officials with the idea of a student exchange in January of 1987 (see *Middlebury Magazine*, Winter 1988, page 28). As Ilchman noted at the signing ceremony, there had been a lot of talk about *glasnost*, the new Soviet policy of

Erik Borg

Erik Lundberg '90

The "Middlebury Summit" convenes (left). Vladimir Gusev, pro-rector for science at Voronezh State University, and Middlebury President Olin Robison clink champagne glasses (below) after the signing of an agreement that will bring 52 Soviet students to the U.S. this fall. Raymond Benson (right of Robison), director of the American Collegiate Consortium for East-West Cultural and Academic Exchange, conducted the negotiations.

"openness," but "nobody had any sense that it was going to happen so quickly."

The five-man Soviet delegation in March was led by Mikhail Sleptsov, chief of foreign relations in the Ministry of Higher Education, who, with Benson and Robison, signed the agreement. After a week-long visit to Middlebury, which provided time for a thorough look at the campus and town (with a visit to the annual town meeting), the group split up to visit other consortium colleges.

The make-up of the delegation, which included Vladimir Gusev, pro-rector for science at Voronezh State Univeristy, and Vladimir Yarygin, rector of the Moscow Second Medical Institute, suggested that scientific exchange was important to the Soviets. On the other hand, the Soviets understood that they were signing an agreement with liberal arts colleges, not major research universities. And in doing so, Sleptsov said, the goal was "cultural exchange," as well as "professional development," for Soviet students. "It is our hope that this exchange will help break down barriers that exist when people don't know one another," said Sleptsov, through the translation of Thomas Beyer, associate professor of Russian. "Young people are going to have the opportunity to discuss with each other not only issues involving their two countries, but issues involving the whole world."

The details of the agreement spell out the obligations of the host colleges for both countries. "All of the expenses of the Soviet students, from the moment they step off the plane until the moment they leave," notes President Robison, "will be covered by the host colleges." On the American side, where the Soviet students will attend some of the nation's most expensive private colleges, "that represents $1.5 million total, right up front." The 26-point agreement is based, says Robison, on "rigid reciprocity." Students in both countries must have access to athletic and other extra-curricular activities. Housing for a faculty advisor and his or her family, plus a living stipend, must be provided; transportation must be provided so the advisor can visit all of the students at their campuses. One important point in the agreement, added by the American side: at least one-third of each student delegation must be made up of women.

Now that the agreement has been signed and the arrival of the Soviet students draws near, Robison admits to some apprehension. "There's a lot that could go wrong with it," he notes. "The Soviets are scared to death—but they are going to do it. Their fear is, quite frankly, that we are going to steal their children, and our record, I have to say, is not good in this regard. It is terribly inportant that these young people come here, that they have a good experience, and that they return home. Because if they do, then hundreds and thousands of Soviet students could follow thereafter."

Twilight report update shows progress on minority concerns

When 11 high school counselors of minority students visited campus last summer to review the College's efforts at recruiting and retaining minority students, they praised the 1982 Twilight Committee Report on minority concerns. "What you have here," said Don Coverdale of East Boston, Mass., High School, "is a great report. Go back and have another look at those recommendations."

Dean of the College John Emerson did just that. As the school year drew to a close, he released "An Update on Minority Concerns: Postscript to the Twilight Report." Taking the major recommendations of the Twilight report, he measured the College's progress in financial aid, academic support, minority faculty hiring, curriculum, and student life. The review came at a good time. Special efforts and attention to minority issues over the last two years by faculty, students, and staff members have, it seems, begun to show some results.

Minority enrollments at Middlebury, the report notes, have turned upward in the last two years. After reaching a low of 48 black and Hispanic students in 1985-86, enrollments grew to 57 in 1986-87 and 72 for the school year just past. The College nonetheless stepped up recruitment efforts for minority students this past year (see *Middlebury Magazine*, Winter 1988, page 32). Minority students already on campus worked with the admissions office to contact minority high school students who express an interest in Middlebury. The admissions staff has focused attention on minority high schools in the Northeast region—Rochester, Albany, Springfield, New Haven, and Hartford. The College has signed articulation agreements with three community colleges that enroll large numbers of minority students—Fiorello LaGuardia Community College and Bronx Community College in New York, and Miami-Dade Community College in Florida; these agreements, it is hoped, will encourage the top students at these community colleges to transfer to Middlebury. The College has also made

In Brief

■ **A new dean of students:** Karl Lindholm '67, a member of the Middlebury College faculty and administration for the past 12 years, has been named dean of students, effective July 1. President Olin Robison announced Lindholm's appointment after a three-month national search for a successor to Dean Erica Wonnacott, who leaves the College after 20 years in the dean's office. "Dean Lindholm has been centrally involved in some of the most critical debates regarding students on this campus," said Robison. "As campus coordinator for the drug task force appointed by the trustees in 1986 and as chair of the '21 Committee,' which focused on the change in the Vermont drinking age, he brought wisdom and clarity to two important areas." (For an article on the drug task force, see *Middlebury Magazine*, Winter 1988, page 28.)

Lindholm holds a Ph.D. in American studies from Case Western Reserve University. He joined Middlebury as assistant dean of students in 1976 and has been associate dean of students and associate dean of the College for the past three years. He serves as study-abroad coordinator at Middlebury, and he also holds an appointment as assistant professor of American literature; baseball in literature is a special area of interest. (Look for an inteview with the new dean in the next issue of the magazine.)

■ **Two more administrative appointments:** President Robison announced two more changes in the College administration this spring.

Jane Margaret O'Brien, associate professor of chemistry, has been named to the newly created post of associate provost. O'Brien, a graduate of Vassar College with a Ph.D. from the University of Delaware, joined the Middlebury faculty in 1980 as assistant professor of chemistry; she was granted tenure late last year. In her new post, she will oversee matters related to curriculum, interdepartmental programs, departmental budgets, visiting committees, and the College's freshman seminar program.

Robison also announced that Professor of History John McCardell will become the dean of the faculty. A graduate of Washington and Lee University with a Ph.D. from Harvard, McCardell has been a

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The Gamalial Painter House, built by the College's founder, has been restored and renovated by Townsend Anderson '75.

member of the faculty since 1976 and dean for academic development and planning for the past three years. In his new position McCardell will have special responsibility for teaching resources, recruiting of new faculty, long-range planning, and the regular reaccreditation process of the College.

McCardell succeeds Professor of Chemistry Robert W. Gleason '54, who has served as dean of sciences and dean of faculty for the past six years. In that period, Gleason oversaw an expansion of the faculty ranks which reduced the student:faculty ratio from 15:1 to 12:1. Gleason, a member of the faculty for 28 years, will return to full-time teaching.

■ **Fraternity suspended:** Delta Upsilon fraternity has been suspended and members will not be allowed to live in its house next year, after an incident at the fraternity's annual end-of-the-year toga party.

For most of the weekend, the top half of a female mannequin, with its breasts painted red and graffiti painted on its back, hung with a rope around its neck from a balcony in front of the fraternity. Approximately 200 students attended an afternoon party on the front lawn while the mannequin was hanging; students also attended a party that night inside the fraternity house. The mannequin wasn't taken down until Sunday night, when it was called to the attention of Dean of Students Erica Wonnacott.

Subsequent complaints from students, faculty, and staff members prompted a public Community Council hearing during finals week, after which the council made its recommendation for suspension. President Robison approved the Community Council decision. The status of Delta Upsilon will be reviewed again next spring; a decision to reopen the fraternity will be based, in part, on participation by fraternity members in developing a program to increase awareness among students about sexism and violence against women.

The Community Council also recommended that the College form a task force to look at women's issues on campus. Among the questions raised by the incident: why didn't those who noticed the mannequin during the weekend party ask fraternity members to take it down?

■ **Painter House restored:** Two years ago this magazine announced that the College had sold the Gamaliel Painter House, constructed in 1801 by the College's founder (after over 150 years in private hands, the house had been bequeathed to College ownership in 1980). The announcement, it turns out, was a bit premature. Some fast work by some trustees, spearheaded by Willard Jackson '51, stopped the sale and raised funds for renovations. The house reopened this spring with a number of not-for-profit tenants including the Vermont Folk Life Center, the Addison County Chamber of Commerce, and the Vermont Community Foundation. And the renovations to the house, directed by Townsend Anderson '75, won a recognition award from the Vermont Preservation Trust.

■ **A staff constitution:** After a year of discussion and debate—and an attempt by Local 200-D of the Service Employees' International Union to organize campus workers—the College staff has voted approval for a constitution forming a staff council. It will be the job of eight elected council representatives, plus the non-voting vice president for administration, to help staff members "make Middlebury a better place to work."

The council membership will be drawn from all employees of the College, not including those with faculty appointments. The council will not have negotiating authority for the staff, but it will report and make recommendations to the president and the board of trustees on the "ideas, opinions, problems, concerns, and grievances of staff employees." The College's "general staff" includes approximately 600 full- and part-time employees.

■ **Ten-minute nature spree:** In the main quadrangle between Mead Chapel, Munroe, and McCullough, how many species of plants and animals can students collect in a shopping bag in ten minutes? This test comes at the end of Biology 190, "General Ecology" (for non-majors), and it's harder than it might seem. "The best students know that to find different species, you have to look for different habitats," explains Sallie Sheldon, assistant professor of biology. Shade, moisture, wind exposure, and people exposure are just a few variables to take into account.

Sheldon spends the better part of two days at the site, sending out a few students at a time in shifts (almost 100 students total). She picks separate winners each day (weather conditions change), but top scores run in the neighborhood of 70 different species, ranging from grass, to worms, to flies, to moss. No daffodils. "We deduct points," Sheldon says, "if they pick the flowers."

■ **Making the night a little longer:** Retiring Student Activities Director Jackie Flickinger left with one last recommendation: extend campus party hours from 1:00 a.m to 2:00 a.m. on the weekends, with a 1:00 a.m. cut off for serving alcohol. Most parties, she noted, don't get going until 11:00 p.m. Michael Kelly, president of the Interfraternity Council, noted that at 1:00 a.m. the energy level at parties is high; closing down means "sending that energy back to the dorms." The Community Council did what it's often done in the past, accepting Flickinger's suggestion.

adjustments in financial aid policies, designing special packages (with reduced loan obligations) for students with the highest need.

At the Minority Advisory Workshop last summer, the recommendation was made that the College seriously consider adding a counselor with special expertise in minority issues to its staff. Brenda Andrieu, who holds a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from the University of Minnesota, will join the College's counseling staff this summer. Her work history includes background in community mental health—and she's also been a college-level associate dean of students.

The College, says Emerson's update, has also made special efforts in the area of faculty recruiting. For the academic year just past, there were three full-time black faculty members—in history, sociology, and physical education. The faculty also includes Hispanics, Asian Americans, and a Native American. At least one new minority faculty member will come to campus this fall.

The original Twilight report called for new efforts in the area of curriculum. This past year, Emerson's report notes, a black studies concentration—a collection of four related courses needed to fulfill a graduation requirement—was approved by the faculty. Each winter term faculty members can fulfill their teaching requirements by enrolling instead in a month-long faculty seminar; next January that seminar will be devoted to helping faculty members incorporate minority issues and concerns in their courses.

While the report clearly accents the College's progress in the area of minority concerns, it also recognizes "disappointment and discouragement about the slow progress toward some of the goals articulated in the Twilight document." Still, it seems that recent developments, for the most part, have been encouraging. A second Minority Advisory Workshop is being organized for the fall with the goal, of course, being to show significant progress since the last workshop.

One quantitative sign of success that Emerson's update noted: the College received over 150 applications from minority students for next year's freshman class, more than in any previous year. What Emerson didn't know at that time, however, was that the admissions office now counts 40 minority students among those who will enroll as freshmen this fall—an all-time high at Middlebury.

Denver Edwards '88 was one of nine minority students to graduate with the Class of 1988; he entered Middlebury in 1984 with a class of 12 minority students. A class of as many as 40 minority freshmen will enter this fall—Middlebury's largest class ever. That large class will test the College's commitment to curricular initiatives, social and academic support, and campus awareness efforts to meet the special needs of minority students.

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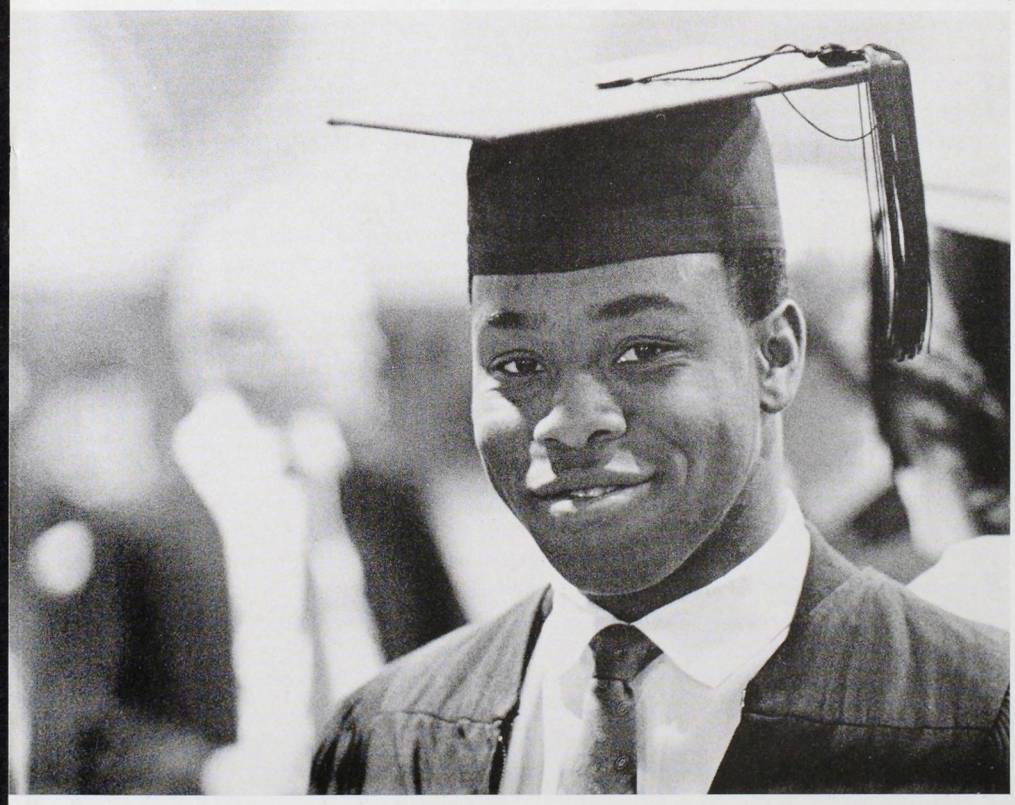


Faculty Notes

■ **Battling bacteria:** Exactly how do bacteria like *Escherichia coli*, *Shigella*, *Salmonella*, and *Yersinia*—all of which can cause deadly, invasive diarrhea in humans—make us sick? That's the big question behind the work of Pamela Small, assistant professor of biology. In the journal *Infection and Immunity*, Small was the lead author in a study of a smaller question: how do those bacteria infect epithelial cells, the common cells which, for instance, make up the surface of intestinal tissue.

Small and her colleagues found sharp differences in the abilities of these bacteria to invade cultured laboratory cells and then reproduce, which suggests, Small writes, "that each of these organisms has evolved a unique strategy for entry into and survival within intestinal epithelial cells." There seem to be differences, Small reports, both in how the bacteria get into the cells and how they behave once inside.

Diarrheal diseases—and resulting dehydration—are the second leading cause of infant deaths worldwide. "If we can understand how these bacteria get into cells," Small says, "it might help us find a way to prevent them from getting in. And that could be the basis for developing a vaccine." (*II*, July 1987)

■ **A taste for scenery:** Tourist appreciation of the Catskill landscapes north of New York in the 1820s and 30s went hand in hand with the artistic appreciation of Thomas Cole and others, suggests Kenneth Myers of Middlebury's American literature department. Myers curated the exhibition and wrote the 200-page catalog for *The Catskills: Painters, Writers, and Tourists in the Mountains 1820-1895*, which appeared at the Hudson River Museum in Yonkers, N.Y., this spring. The exhibition moved on to the Strong Museum in Rochester this summer (July 15-October 16), and then will travel to the Albany Institute of History and Art (November 20-February 12, 1989) and the Everson Museum of Art in Syracuse (February 26-April 23).

Cole's 1825-1829 paintings of the Catskills—and James Fenimore Cooper's earlier literary depictions—helped create a booming tourist industry in the area, Myers argues, centered on the Catskill Mountain House, a 200-guest hotel built on South

Mountain. Cole expressed hope that his paintings would help to cultivate "a taste for scenery" and a popular appreciation of wilderness environments—as well as an appreciation for landscape painting, of course. But he did not seem to welcome the impact of tourism on the landscape. In his sketches of Kaaterskill Falls, a popular tourist "view" near the mountain hotel, Cole truthfully renders the intruding viewing platform above the falls; in his 1826 painting of the site, however, he returns the scene to an imagined natural state—and adds a lone Indian appreciator.

Myers will deliver a lecture on the exhibition as the keynote address at the annual meeting of the New York State Historical Association in July.

■ **Anti-Federalism then and now:** The constitutional debate of 1787-88 is still with us today, argues Professor of Political Science Murray Dry in several recent articles.

In an article on "The Constitutional Thought of the Anti-Federalists" (*This Constitution*, Fall 1987), Dry argues that the Bill of Rights amendments to the Constitution, often thought of as an Anti-Federalist achievement, did not in fact address the issue of central concern to the Anti-Federalists. The Anti-Federalists "wanted a bill of rights to curb the power of the national government to intrude upon state power"; what they got instead were amendments which "limited the right of government to interfere with individuals, and, as such included provisions similar to those in the bills of rights in many of the state constitutions." In other words, as the Anti-Federalists themselves failed to recognize, it strengthened the hand of federal courts over the states in matters of individual rights.

"Any strict construction of federal power has much in common with Anti-Federalist constitutionalism," Dry concludes, arguing that current debates over the extent of federal and state powers continue the dialogue of constitutional history. "The contemporary controversies over abortion, pornography, and sexual practices among consenting adults, and the issues surrounding the religion clauses of the First Amendment, reveal disagreements over the scope of individual rights, on the one hand, and the legitimacy of government maintenance of community manners and morals on the other."

Other recent articles by Dry include "Federalism and the Constitution: The Founders' Design and Contemporary Constitutional Law" in *Constitutional Commentary* (Summer 1987) and "The Case Against Ratification: Anti-Federalist Constitutional Thought" in Leonard Levy and Dennis Mahoney, eds., *The Framing and Ratification of the Constitution* (Macmillan, 1987).

■ **Above the fray:** Maksimilian Aleksandrovic Volosin (1877-1932) was a prominent Russian poet, artist, and critic; his best poems were those he wrote, while living in the Crimea, on the Revolution of 1917 and the Civil War that followed. In a paper delivered to the Northeast Modern Language Conference in March, Ann Marie Basom, assistant professor of Russian, argued that in writing those poems Volosin maintained a position, in his own words, "above the battle."

Volosin, Basom notes, refused to take sides and sheltered both Red and White Russians in the bloody Civil War: "The only form of active work I allow myself," the man of letters writes, "is to prevent people from shooting each other."

His poems, as Volosin himself notes, were "written with the accuracy of historical documents." And in the poem "Red Spring," he writes: "In the winter along the roads were scattered the corpses/ Of people and horses—and packs of dogs/ Ate into their stomachs, tearing at the meat." And yet, despite the horror he witnessed, Volosin maintained his faith in humanity: "From the deepest circle of the hell of terror and hunger, I emerged with my faith in man intact." It's really a philosophical faith, Basom suggests, founded in the idea that history is a spiral in which events repeat themselves, but move nonetheless towards a meaningful, final end: "From the blood spilt in battle.../ From crime, from frenzy—/ Will arise pious Rus [Russia]."

■ **Daughters of China:** Chinese fiction of the mid 20th century offers a detailed view of the changing role of women in Chinese society, argues Catherine Campbell, assistant professor of Chinese, in a paper prepared for the 1988 Association of Asian Studies meeting. In the 1920s and 1930s, Campbell notes, foot-binding was outlawed, marriage laws liberalized, and educational opportunities for women opened—signalling cracks in the traditional social patterns for women. And in books like Ning Lao Taital's autobiography *A Daughter of Han*, Xiao Hong's novel *Tales of Hunan River* (1943), and Lao She's novella "Crescent Moon" (1947), women writers responded by focusing attention on the role of women and particularly on the relationships between parents and their daughters—the natal family.

"One message that clearly emerges from these examples is that economic hardship disrupts the normal pattern of family relationships," Campbell notes, "often with the effect of placing extra emphasis on the position of daughters as either financial liabilities (*peigianhuo*) or as potential sources of monetary gain for her family, through the bride price obtained in normal marriage transactions, through profits derived from her sale in concubinage or household service, or through her earnings as a prostitute."

The central women characters in these stories, Campbell suggests, are frequently "driven by economic hardship to sell themselves, in one form or another, in order to live. One sells sexual favors, one sells manual labor, and one sells the milk her own child needs." As the novel became more widely accepted in the mid-20th century as "real" literature, she concludes, "its power as an instrument of social criticism grew, and women gained a new, legitimate voice."

■ **Pool retires after 34 years of teaching:** Edwin Lewis Pool, professor of chemistry and one of the founders of Middlebury's environmental studies program, retired this spring. Pool came to the College in 1954, after receiving his Ph.D. from Iowa State University. In the minute read for Pool at his last faculty meeting, Assistant Professor of Chemistry James Larrabee said: "Lewy loved his students no matter how clumsy or thick headed... Not three weeks ago a budding pre-med student caught Lewy's shirt on fire. Lewy didn't get angry; he simply turned it into an amusing story, complete with scorch marks."

Winter sports

■ **Men's basketball bounces back:** After struggling through six straight losing seasons, the men's basketball team recorded one of its most successful campaigns in the history of the sport at Middlebury. Once again highly respected in New England Division III basketball circles, team, coach, and a player harvested an impressive collection of honors and awards.

Rebounding from last year's 6-18 mark, the team finished 13-9 overall and 13-7 in ECAC play this year. They were rewarded with the most improved team award from the New England Basketball Conference Association of Coaches. The same organization also selected Middlebury coach Russ Reilly as coach of the year and gave Panther senior John Humphrey its scholar athlete award.

Coach Reilly was also named Kodak Div. III Coach of the Year in the Northeast District by the National Association of Basketball Coaches and was picked by United Press International as New England Div. III Coach of the Year.

The sharpshooting senior captain Humphrey re-wrote the record books to become Middlebury's all-time leading career scorer with a total of 1,844 points. He topped the previous record holder, Kevin Kelleher '80, by 346 points. Humphrey also bettered the season total of 456 set by Alfred "Sonny" Dennis '55 (291 points) and established a new single game scoring mark of 46, improving on the 42 of Sheldon Fain Hackney '83. The Panther guard, ranked fourth nationally in Div. III with a Middlebury record scoring average of 28.2 per game, also set a new career average of 20.5. (For more on Humphrey's work as a student and athlete, see page 6.)

The team got off to a mediocre start with a 2-2 record before the holiday break. Then at the Clark Tournament the Panthers buried Bridgewater State by 20 and came within a last second desperation shot of upsetting a strong Clark team for the tournament title. Following a close loss to Div. II St. Michael's, the Panthers then ran off five straight wins over Union, Babson, Brandeis, Williams, and Clark. Losing their next three games, Middlebury came back to take four of its last five, beating Bates, Norwich, Williams, and New England.

■ **Stern, Punderson, and MacLeod lead ski team:** With three skiers earning All-American honors, the Middlebury women's and men's ski teams combined to finish eighth in the NCAA Ski Championships held this year at the Snow Bowl and Rikert Touring Center.

Utah, breezed to its third straight national title, topping Eastern challenger Vermont 651-614. Colorado took third with 515.5 points; Wyoming was fourth with 506; Dartmouth fifth at 495; New Mexico sixth at 411.5; Alaska-Anchorage seventh with 277.5, and Middlebury eighth, with 244.

Middlebury made a strong showing in the opening event at the NCAAs—the women's giant slalom. Claudia Stern '89 took second, Ingrid Punderson '88 nailed down a fourth, and Heather Flood '91 was 12th to give the Panthers 84 points. However, Utah squeezed out a two-point win for the overall team honor in the event.

For the men's giant slalom team, which had problems all season, Robert MacLeod '89 was top finisher with a 14th.

On the second day of the championships, Utah's depth took over—and Middlebury's cross-country squad was no match for the top national competition; both the women's and men's squads failed to place anyone in the top 20. For the women, Suzanne Church '88 placed 25th and Elise Gallerani '88 37th. John Cooley '91 took a 34th and John Ogden '89 35th.

On the third day of action, Middlebury had a second shot at an individual national title, this time in the men's slalom. But MacLeod was nipped by UVM skier Dean Keller 1:43.20 to 1:43.48. Rounding out the Middlebury effort were Ebbe Altberg '88 in 25th and John Taylor '89 in 30th.

The women's slalom started off well, as Stern took the lead on the first run. However, she had problems on her second try and dropped to a 25th place finish. Punderson was 17th and Flood took 26th.

Middlebury failed to qualify either a men's or women's cross-country relay team, and so on the final day the team could only watch as Utah and Vermont battled for the national championship.

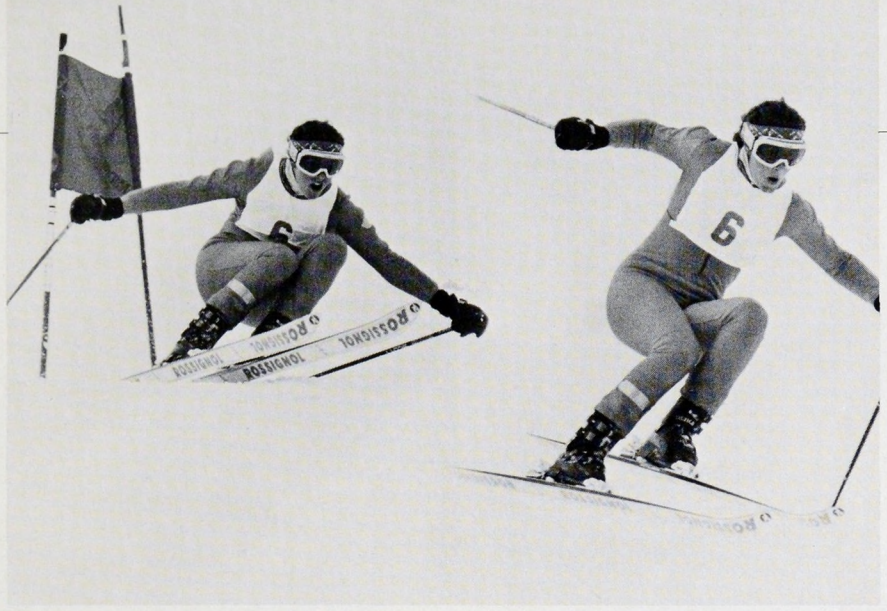
Inconsistency by the men's alpine team and weak men's and women's cross-country squads were problems at carnival meets throughout the winter. The Middlebury women did manage second place finishes at Bates, Williams, and Middlebury Carnivals, but the best men's performance was third at the Dartmouth and Middlebury meets. At the Middlebury Carnival, MacLeod (slalom) and Flood (giant slalom) took individual honors.

For the first time in 11 years the Eastern Ski Championships weren't held at the Snow Bowl. But Middlebury performed well, nonetheless. The women won the team title in both alpine events to give Vermont a real battle in the overall women's competition before finally taking second overall, 15 points back. Punderson won the giant slalom with Stern second and Flood ninth; in the slalom, Flood was second, Stern third, Cara Walther '88 sixth, and Punderson seventh. For the women's nordic squad, Church was fifth in the 10-K cross-country race; teammates Jennifer Douglas '91 and Carrie McCusker '91 placed 18th and 19th respectively. Those three combined to give Middlebury a fourth in the relay.

The Middmen, however, self-destructed in the slalom and finished sixth in the East overall. MacLeod skied to a solid fourth in the giant slalom, with Taylor down at 20th, Devin O'Neill '91 21st, and Altberg 23rd. In the slalom, MacLeod, Altberg, and Patrick Callahan '88 fell or were disqualified; O'Neill finished ninth. Erik Vigsnes '89 paced the Panther nordic squad in the 15-K race with an 11th. John Ogden at 18th was the only other Middlebury finisher in the top 20. The relay team of Vigsnes, Will Beebe '89 and Tony Slaton '89 placed fourth.

■ **Middlebury's best women's hockey team ever:** The women's ice hockey team finished their most successful season ever with a 5-1 win over interstate rival UVM. The win boosted Middlebury's record to 11-3. Ashley Ransom '88 led the Panther attack against Vermont with a first period hat trick that put Middlebury ahead to stay. "I knew we were capable of having a good record, but I didn't think it would be this good," said first year coach Mike Gerber. "The women really worked hard in practice and had great team spirit."

The Panthers opened the season with six straight wins before being blanked 4-0 by New England power Colby. Middlebury then won five of its last seven games by topping Bowdoin, Boston University,



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With a second in the giant slalom, Claudia Stern '89 won All-American honors at the National Collegiate Athletic Championships in March. Rob MacLeod '89 and Ingrid Punderson '88 are also 1988 All-Americans.

Boston College, Wesleyan, and Vermont. The two losses were to Ivy League foes Yale and Dartmouth.

Ransom led her team in goals with 14, plus five assists for a total of 19 points. Deborah Gow '90 was next with 11 goals and nine assists for a total of 20. Marci Griffith '89 scored 10 goals with 10 assists, and Cynthia White '89 scored eight goals with 12 assists.

Goalkeeper Kristen Gustavson '91 had a 3.0 goals against average and 5-2 record on the year. Anne Truslow '90 gave up 1.3 goals per game and posted a 6-1 record. A key member of the defense, Karen Schmeichel '88, won the team MVP award; Justine Blodgett '90 earned the award for most improved player.

■ **Men's hockey improves, but not enough:** Although the Middlebury men's hockey team (7-16-1) wound up the season near the bottom of its league, there were some promising signs for the future of the team. The Panther defense was improved as Middlebury gave up 116 goals (compared to 125 last year).

Middlebury got off to a disappointing start in December, losing its first four games. Then the team bounced back after the holiday to play some of its best hockey of the year in downing Air Force 4-3 and Babson 3-1.

After another losing skid, Middlebury traveled to Chicago to beat the home team at an invitational tournament at Lake Forest College, but Bowdoin bombed the Panthers 9-1 in the title game. The remaining wins came against Wesleyan, Amherst, Williams, and New England.

The top seven Middlebury scorers will be back next year. Heading the list is 1988 MVP Thomas Humphreys '91, who scored nine goals and 20 assists for 29 points. Jamie Noll '91 netted the most goals with 15 and added seven assists for 22 points, James Quinn '90 had 19 points on seven and 12, and Gerald Dineen '89 scored 17 on eight and nine.

William Ware '91 worked in goal most of the season. He posted an 85.4 save percentage and a 4.89 goals allowed average. Forward John Honney '89 won the most improved award, and another forward, Colin Ives '88, won the Buff Berman award for spirit.

■ **Two seniors lead women's basketball:** Women's basketball (8-9) just missed their first winning season in nine years. The team posted key wins over Skidmore, Bates, Norwich, and Colby-Sawyer.

Ingrid Hagberg '88, a forward, received the Contribution Award as the Panther's MVP this year. The team's second highest scorer with 190 points for an 11.1 average, she was also the number two rebounder with 99.

Julie Rochat '88 won the Captain's Award for her leadership during the year. As center she paced her team in rebounds with 127 and scored 101 points for a 5.9 average.

■ **Swimmers set records:** The Panther women's swim team turned things around this season to post an 8-4 record, while in a rebuilding year, the men's team dropped off to 5-7.

The Panther women swimmers ended their season with a 10th place finish in the New England Championships. The men struggled to a 17th place.

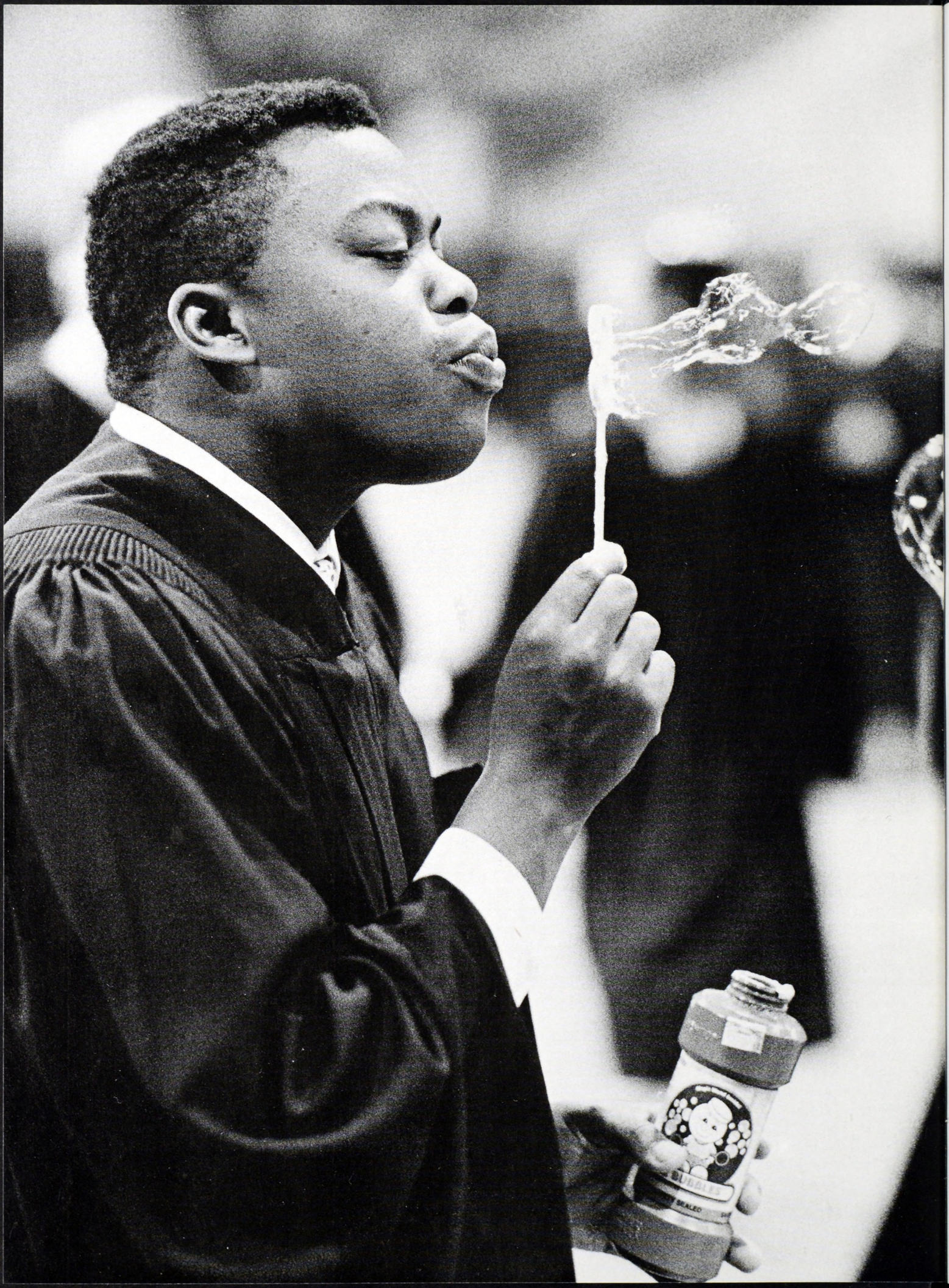
The women's relay teams turned the top efforts at the New Englands. The 200 free style team of Mary Stechschulte '90, Jennifer Kitchin '88, Julianne Faxon '88, and Roberta Senglemann '88 placed seventh in the large field with a time of 1:44.84. The 400 freestyle relay of the same four swimmers splashed to a sixth place and the 200 medley relay of Michelle Zagami '91, Faxon, Stechschulte, and Sengleman was ninth in 1:58.27. Best individual performances in the New Englands were a seventh and eighth in the 50 fly by Stechschulte (28.2) and Zagami (28:63), and a 10th in the 50 breast by Faxon in 34.10.

For the men, the 800 free relay team of Matthew Leafsteadt '91, Frederick Trask '88, John Myers '89, and Corey Davis '91 took a 14th in a time of 7:36.95. The same team took a 16th in the 400 free in 3:25.35. Posting the best individual showings for the Panthers were Leafsteadt who was 12th in the 100 backstroke and Davis, who was 19th in the 400 individual medley.

The swimmers established several new school records this season. For the women Stechshulte set a 50 freestyle mark of 25.65 and tied the 50 fly record of 28.2. Sengleman set a 100 free mark of 56.3. They joined Kitchin, Faxon, and Zagami in posting new records of 3:48.02 and 1:58.27 in the 400 free relay and the medley relay respectively. On the men's side, Leafsteadt set 100 and 200 back records with a 57.74 and 2:07.93, and a 200 individual medley record of 2:08.71. Davis set the 400 IM mark of 4:37.68. With Stephen Lauterback '90, Trask, and Myers, they nailed down the 200 medley relay in 1:46.52 and 800 free in 7:37.95.

■ **A squash All-American:** For the first time a Middlebury squash player earned All-American honors, but the team finished below .500 (7-9).

Victoria Hoyt '89, who was ranked 13th nationally at the beginning of the season, compiled a solid 14-2 mark to qualify for the NCAA Championships, held at Dartmouth. Hoyt won five of her six matches there to earn first team All-American honors and a number 10 national ranking.—*Max Petersen*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SPECIAL NEWS

A Commencement for parents

Researching a story on the plight of Vietnamese-American children in 1974, *New York Times* Journalist David Shipler became friends with "a streetwise boy in sandals in Saigon." The 8-year-old boy's mother expressed a wish that her son could go to the U.S. to get an education. So the journalist adopted the boy—and in his 1988 Commencement address, David Shipler addressed some of his remarks to a graduating history major.

"Jonathan Shipler, do you see the path that led you to this place?" the father asked. "Do you feel the love of self-sacrifice in that fateful parting years ago? Do you know that you have now fulfilled your mother's wish?"

After a two-year hiatus, the Shiplers returned the College to the tradition of having the parent of a graduate give the Commencement address. A more recent tradition remained intact: it was the fourth consecutive indoor Commencement.

Degrees were handed out to 475 undergraduates, plus six honored guests. And when President Olin Robison asked retiring Dean of Students Erica Wonnacott to step forward on the stage, she received a standing ovation from the crowd of 3,000 or so.

The valedictorian likes to keep busy

Sarah Cooper, the class of 1988's valedictorian, can't resist a challenge.

She came to Middlebury intending to be a French major but was tempted to try a language that she knew absolutely nothing about—like Chinese. "I wanted to take a different language that would be really challenging," she explains. The Chinese program was so engaging, says Cooper, that "I just got sucked into it immediately." (The Chinese Department must be doing something right, since last year's number one student majored in Chinese.) Before she knew it, Cooper was an East Asian studies major pursuing an interdisciplinary program of courses which included Chinese language, sociology, history, and Japanese literature.

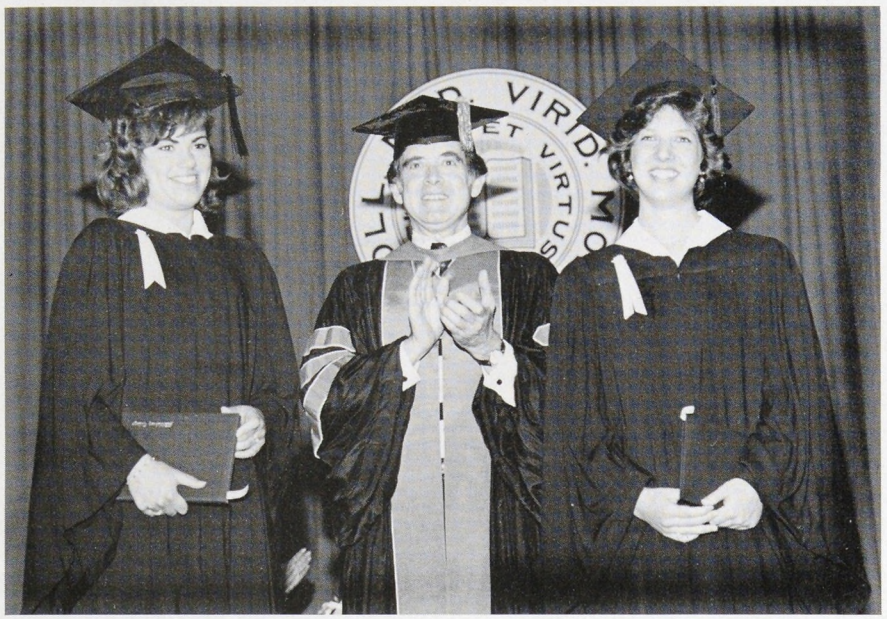
For winter and spring terms of her junior year, Cooper attended the Taipei Language Institute in Taiwan, which required three tough tutorials a day. It sounds gruelling—but Cooper didn't come home until July. "I know it sounds funny," she admits, "but I stayed so I could study some more."

Not just a study hound, Cooper has an interest in music. At Middlebury she sang with the Madrigals and the choir, took voice lessons, and participated in an opera workshop and a few student recitals. She hopes to continue singing and is presently looking for a post-graduate choral society.

Another extra-curricular interest that Cooper will pursue this summer: she will research the modern history of Jewish immigrants in New York, as a way of "tracing her roots." As she says, quite simply, "This is very important to me."

For the fall, Cooper has been hired to set up and teach a new Chinese program in the Mamaroneck, New York, public school system. She wants to give younger children a chance to learn about the "huge, great, ancient culture" that she didn't discover until college. Although learning Chinese requires a great deal of pure memorization, Cooper points out, "What makes it interesting is the culture."

Graduate work looms ahead in a few years, Cooper suggests, but she's thinking about shifting her focus toward anthropology. Does she have more interests than she can keep up with? "I've always done too much," Cooper smiles. "Why stop now?"—LV



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President Olin Robison applauds two top scholars. Salutatorian Suzanne Wintsch (left) won a Mary Dunning Thwing Prize for best written work by an English major. Valedictorian Sarah Cooper, an East Asian studies major, won the George H. Catlin Award for the highest grade average in the humanities, social sciences, or languages.

Michael Obel-Omia '88 (left) was 1986 Student Forum chairman and led the call for Middlebury divestment in companies doing business in South Africa that year.

Honored guests

The six men and women who were awarded honorary degrees at this year's Commencement exercises included a journalist, two educators, a businessman, a rabbi/poet, and a professional athlete:

David K. Shipler, Doctor of Letters. Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Arab and Jew: Wounded Spirits in a Promised Land,*

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How will you answer to your children?

It is a rare opportunity for a parent to be able to lecture his child in such favorable circumstances—uninterrupted. It is also a daunting task, for I find myself somehow taking on the burden of all parents who are here today to search for that parting bit of advice with which to send you all out into your lives....

Since this is a moment for passing on the parcels of wisdom from generation to generation, may I convey one to you that my mother passed to me. She used to say: Everything can be taken away from you, except yourself. Everything can be lost, even what is most dear, except yourself. Wherever you go, you take yourself with you. How fortunate if you happen to be the kind of person that you like. And you can strive to be such a person. As Hawthorne wrote: "What other dungeon is so dark as one's own heart! What jailer so inexorable as one's self!"

This is not an argument for selfishness. It is an argument for commitment and compassion. You are starting out at a time when American society seems particularly selfish. We are not working hard enough to improve the lives of our fellow citizens. We are not driven to outrage by the spectacle of Americans sleeping in the streets, by the suffering of children without homes. We don't even seem to feel guilt. We have adopted the wonderful rationale of greed, which holds that if each of us prospers, the community prospers. Those left behind seem of no consequence. And for someone who came of age during the civil rights movement, the riots of despair in the ghettos of the inner cities, the War on Poverty and the war in Vietnam, this lack of social conscience leaves a special sense of emptiness.

One study found that in eight American cities, the average homeless child was six years old, that 43 percent of those children old enough to attend school were not attending, that 10 percent were suspected of being abused or neglected. And the numbers of homeless people in this land of plenty are growing rapidly, up 30 percent in Albuquerque during 1987, up 25 percent in Atlanta, up 30 percent in Boston, up 15 percent in New York, up 25 to 30 percent in Washington, D.C., where the problems of the poor have scarcely caused a ripple of concern within the pristine corridors of our national conscience.

Thirty-two million Americans live below the official poverty line. Under that line, a family of five earns considerably less in a year than the cost of a year's tuition at Middlebury. And contrary to the popular image of the welfare dependent, most of the families in poverty have a wage-earner. They work. But even with jobs, they can't make it.

What are you going to do about this? The points of attack range from the highest level of public policy to the lowliest level of private advocacy and counseling. But this is just a symbol of the multitude of tasks that face us all, in every sphere. How are you going to make a difference? That is the question that we hope you ask yourselves. What impact will you have on the welfare of your country, of the world? How do you pay for the privilege that you have been given? Or is it enough to BE paid? Are you looking for a secure job in a fancy office with a handsome salary? Is that enough? And if it is enough today, will it seem enough 25 years from now, when you look back on the first half of your working life, when you see you own children graduate from college as you try to impart to them a sense of purpose? How will you answer to you children? How do we, as your parents, answer to you today?

Most of you are a pampered elite who have known no hardship. You have not learned suffering, and let us hope you don't have to. A few have a harder history that precedes Middlebury. I think of a streetwise boy in sandals in Saigon, with a distant dream in his eyes. He is here today. His mother gave him up because she wanted him to come to America and get an education. Jonathan Shipler, do you see the path that led you to this place? Or does it seem as if you were simply plucked by chance from one world into another? Do you feel the love of self-sacrifice in that fateful parting of years ago? Do you know that you have now fulfilled your mother's wish? You have come to America and you have received an education. That was her wish.

Long after I grew up, my mother told me that she had raised me so that I would be comfortable in either an embassy or a hut. She also drilled into me the conviction that you can learn something from everyone. It was her way of preaching tolerance, of instilling the ability to see something of value in every person, no matter what his station.

This is essential if an open democracy is to work. The belief in pluralism and liberty promotes an untidy system, one that relies on shared values of mutual respect, one that is more fragile than we care to admit, and dangerously vulnerable to bigotry. We can see it if we look around the world.

The Soviet Union, which we have often regarded as the antithesis of the United States, is now wrestling its way toward some form of renaissance as Mikhail Gorbachev attempts to reexamine history, open debate, give some of the people some voice, and tolerate a diversity of opinion on some subjects. The society's aversion to this is deep. The Russians now are like Michelangelo's unfinished prisoners in Florence, rough-hewn men struggling to break out of the heavy stone from which they have been created.

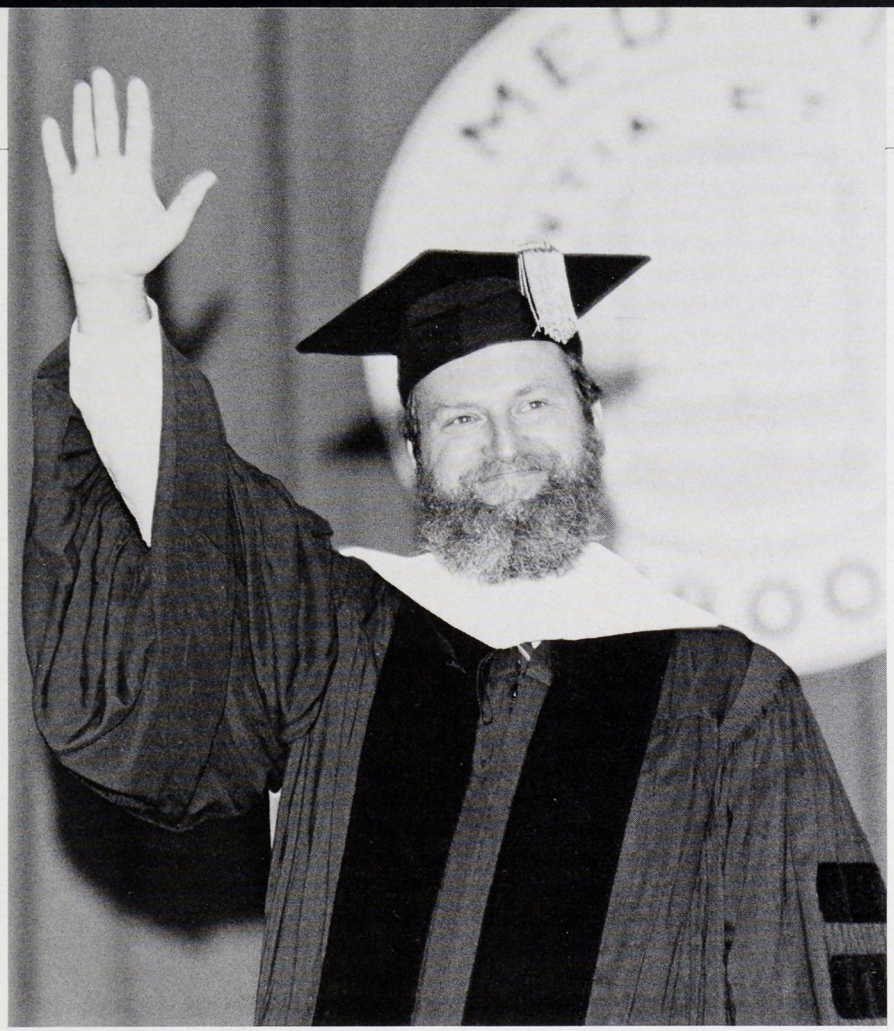
There is a paradox here. As the restrictions on debate are loosened, the forces opposed to that debate are also freed. Considerable ground has been gained by the ethnocentric movement of Russian nationalism, which exalts what is Russian and looks down at other ethnic groups. It plays to a deep yearning in that society for a single truth to decode history, explain the present, chart the future.

This illuminates an issue that reaches far beyond the borders of the Soviet Union.

The most precious attribute that you can have as a citizen is the capacity to see that your truth is not the only truth, that your faith is not higher than your neighbor's, and that your sense of yourself need not be enriched by denigrating others who are different from you.

These are elementary principles of human tolerance, but they do not rule this world. There is hardly a society in the year 1988 that is not undergoing a powerful movement into separateness and exclusivity along the lines of race, religion, nationality, and ethnicity.

In 1975, Jonathan Shipler's grandfather, Harold Isaacs, wrote the following in his book *Idols of the Tribe*: "We are experiencing on a massively universal scale a convulsive ingathering of people in their numberless grouping of kinds—tribal, racial, linguistic, religious, national. It is a great clustering into separateness that will, it is thought, improve, assure, or extend



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Journalist David Shipler is the father of Jonathan '88.

each group's power or place, or keep it safe or safer from the power, threat, or hostility of others. This is obviously no new condition, only the latest and by far the most inclusive chapter of the old story in which after failing again to find how they can co-exist in sight of each other without tearing each other limb from limb, Isaac and Ishmael clash and part in panic and retreat once more into their caves."

As Harold Isaacs observed, in the 30 years between the end of World War II and the time these words were written, there were more than 35 examples of major wars, massacres or other large-scale violence along ethnic, cultural, and religious lines. Two million died in the Hindu-Muslim fighting during the partition of India and the creation of Pakistan. Five hundred thousand Sudanese blacks were killed in their war against the ruling Sudanese Arabs. Two hundred thousand Watusi and Bahutu were slaughtered during the separation of Burundi and Rwanda, 150,000 Kurds died in their wars against the Iraqis, 100,000 Chinese were killed by the Indonesians, 35,000 Khambas were killed by the Chinese in Tibet, 30,000 Somalis were killed by the Kenyans and Ethiopians, 10,000 Arabs by black Africans in Zanzibar, 10,000 Berbers by Arabs in Morocco and Algeria, 5,000 East Indians, blacks, and Amerindians in mutual communal clashes in Guyana, thousands of Vietnamese civilians living in Cambodia were killed by Cambodians in 1970, two million died in the Biafra civil war from 1967 to 1970, and so on, through the 1971 war in Bangladesh, the civil strife in Ireland between Catholics and Protestants, and the breakup of Lebanon during the last decade into tight religious and ethnic militias, all bearing arms and hatred against one another.

This can come home here, too. We have our fundamentalists, our amalgam of religion and violence. We have those who denigrate women, sometimes out of sexism, sometimes out of just plain thoughtlessness. We have those who denigrate blacks, or Jews, or Japanese, or whatever group happens to stand outside the neat boundaries of self-definition. What are you going to do about this?

A strong, close family is a refuge. It can be a circle of certainty in a turbulent world. But it does not just happen automatically. It takes work to create the bonds that build happiness in a marriage.

For some of you, that will be the next transition after this one. But that's a little too scary to contemplate on a day like this. Today, you stand suspended in that glowing interval between nostalgia and exhilaration, in that moment of divided emotions that mark an ending and a beginning, a parting and a joining, a looking back, a looking forward, an ache of melancholy, a rush of joy.

This is a transition made even more precious by what you are leaving—Middlebury, an institution, a place, one can even say an idea, for which my family, at least, has developed great affection and regard during the last four years. Whatever flaws you see today in Middlebury will fade in the memory, at least the Alumni Fund hopes so.

Having spent four years myself down the road apiece, I know how thoroughly these granite hills, the hard winters, the sweet days of spring in these parts work their way into your spirits and stay with you for your life. You will miss them, you will be drawn back to them. They will never let you go, not quite. And that is good. There is a tough simplicity to this land, which measures the soul and imparts moral strength. Take it with you.

And enjoy the journey. For it is not so much the goal, but the striving toward the goal that brings you the richness of life. And so I pass one more gift from my mother to you—a poem she gave to me, called *Ithaca*, by C.P. Cavafy, a modern Greek poet born in Alexandria, Egypt [the poem ends]:

Ithaca has given you the beautiful voyage.
Without her you would never have taken
the road.
But she has nothing more to give you.

And if you find her poor, Ithaca has not
defrauded you.
With the great wisdom you have gained,
with so much experience,
You must surely have understood by then
what Ithacas mean.

—David Shipler

This text is a slightly abridged version of David Shipler's 1988 Commencement address.

Shipler has spent 22 years writing for *The New York Times*, including assignments in Saigon, Moscow, Jerusalem, and Washington, D.C., where he is chief diplomatic correspondent. Later this year, he'll join the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace as a senior associate. "Your daily journalism and your insightful books skillfully and compassionately reveal the peoples of the Middle East and of the Soviet Union," said President Olin Robison in conferring the degree. "You have infused the straightforward narrative of the news with the poetry of people, and with a sense of hope."

Ruth J. Colvin, Doctor of Letters. Founder of Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc., a national organization which has helped over 150,000 people, many of them immigrants, to speak, read, and write in English, Colvin received the 1987 President's Volunteer Action Award from President Reagan. "Your work has instilled in those who cannot read a sense of their own worth and the recognition of their own capabilities," said President Robison. "You and Literacy Volunteers of America have cast your bread upon the waters and it has returned to touch every community in the land."

Maurice R. Greenberg, Doctor of Laws. President and CEO of American International Group, Inc. (an enterprise founded by Cornelius Vander Starr, for whom College professorships, scholarships, and facilities are named), Greenberg is a respected advisor on U.S. and international trade and economic matters. A member of many bilateral economic and business councils, he is the founding chairman of the U.S.-Philippine Business Committee. "Your vision of a world brought closer together through the free exchange of both services and ideas represents a philosophy of education broadly, repeatedly, and altogether successfully applied," President Robison told Greenberg. "You recognize that true education begins only when one is able and willing to understand and appreciate a society and a culture different from one's own."

John H. McArthur, Doctor of Laws. Dean of the Harvard Business School (from which he received both master's and doctoral degrees), McArthur is recognized internationally as one of the country's foremost business educators, and he sits on the boards of major corporations. "Into an academic environment often perceived as cold and regimented, you have injected warmth and conciliation," Robison declared. "We salute in particular your wisdom in drawing your students increasingly from the ranks of liberal arts graduates. Your confidence in them—and through them, in us—bespeaks an uncommon willingness to insist that true leadership requires one to see life steadily and see it whole."

Victor E. Reichert, Doctor of Humane Letters. A Biblical scholar and poet, Rabbi Reichert is Rabbi Emeritus of Cincinnati's K.K. Bene Israel/Rockdale Temple and Rabbi-in-Residence of the Ripton (Vermont) Memorial Church, near the Bread Loaf Campus of the College, where he taught at the Bread Loaf School of English and formed a close friendship with the poet Robert Frost. "In classrooms on this campus, you have opened our students' minds to the treasures of medieval Hebrew verse," noted President Robison. "In church and in synagogue you strive to make real that verse of an ancient Biblical poet: 'For mine house shall be called a house of prayer for all people.'"

Patty L. Sheehan, Doctor of Humane Letters. Daughter of Middlebury's legendary coach-of-all-sports, Robert "Bobo" Sheehan '44, and introduced to golf at age 3 on the College course, Sheehan has carved out a distinguished golfing record (1983 LPGA Player of the Year). *Sports Illustrated* named her a 1987 Sportswoman of the Year, in recognition of her work with troubled youth, particularly her founding of "Tigh Sheehan," a Soquel, California, house for neglected and abused teenaged girls. "You have inspired other athletes to apply themselves to the needs of those unable to cope with the daily challenges in their lives. With a firm stance and good humor, and with grace and strength you have set new standards for women's golf and provided direction and goals for your extended family," President Robison told Sheehan, adding his "hope that your most important victories in the future will continue to be those that are won with the heart."

See the world—and take notes

Erin Fanning '88 and Gerald McDermott '88 have a big challenge in front of them: They've each been given $13,000 for next year to spend on an educational plan of their own design, and they feel obligated to get the most education they can for the money. Fanning and McDermott are both winners in the national competition for the prestigious Thomas J. Watson Fellowships, which support independent travel and research in foreign countries. Fanning, who will study human rights in Latin America, and McDermott, who will do economic research in Eastern bloc countries, were among the 75 winners selected from a group of 192 finalists.

As a Spanish major, Fanning spent her junior year at the University of Peru in Lima, where she was a member of a student human rights group. She says her Watson proposal "grew out of the work I did when I was in Peru." Fanning's research will take her back to Peru in September and several months later to Guatemala. In both countries Fanning intends to be a working member of a neighborhood or village community, perhaps a teacher. She points out that outsiders asking questions about human rights violations are not likely to get accurate information—if they get any; working in the community, she hopes, will earn her some respect and trust. Despite the frightening aspects of living in countries that exhibit, in her own words, "a high level of militarization and guerrilla activities," Fanning says, "I want to find out what's going on for myself."

Part of the responsibility that goes along with her $13,000, Fanning believes, is to disseminate the information she gathers. This summer she hopes to establish contacts with journals and magazines in Washington, D.C., so she can send them firsthand reports from Latin America. "When someone gives you that much money," she says, it should also be used "to do something that will affect other people."

Middlebury's other Watson winner, Gerry McDermott, characterizes himself as "an economics major interested in comparative systems." A brief visit to Prague during his junior year abroad at the London School of Economics sparked McDermott's interest in Eastern Europe. He decided to apply for a Watson in order to study the impact of the Soviet Union's *perestroika* (or "economic restructuring") program on Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, and Poland. He has done a lot of reading about those countries, but does he speak any of the appropriate languages? "Nope," he says cheerfully. Not yet, anyway, but he'll attend Middlebury's German School this summer.

Perestroika, McDermott notes, is "a hot topic." He'll be focusing on managerial decision-making processes and on the formulation of new pricing systems. Interviews with Eastern bloc scholars, bureaucrats, managers, unions, and laborers will form the basis for his analysis: "I'd like to get as many different perspectives as possible."

The Watson Foundation requires that McDermott and Fanning submit quarterly reports on their activities, but the responsibilities of establishing contacts, booking their travel, and structuring the research is left to them. Basically, as McDermott says, "I'm on my own."

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preciatively. "This song was meant to be played in a place like this." (Black spiritualist Odetta had sung the same song just a few months earlier in a Mead Chapel concert.)

The show ended with three or four encores, because the audience refused to leave. Even when the music had ended, about 40 students hung around to speak with the living legend, who had now put on his new E.Q. t-shirt. Guthrie was obliging and paused occasionally in the middle of rolling a case or lifting an amp to pose for a photograph or to exchange a few words. When the equipment was just about packed and he was strolling through the chapel doors, I had my chance to speak with him, the guy whose voice I have mimicked on every Thanksgiving Day that I can remember—"It all started two Thanksgivings ago, that was two years ago on Thanksgiving..."

All I could think of to say was what a number of others had said too, "Thank you, Arlo. It was a great show."

But after he boarded his red touring bus (no longer a VW microbus) and people dispersed into the night, I heard someone shout, "Peace, Love, and Arlo."

—Leslie Virostek '88

Space, the final frontier: A suspended, faceless figure is apparently falling down a set of uneven stairs. An indoor wind chime sways gently and jingles when you walk through it. A trail of footsteps leads up the stairs to a locked door that inexplicably bears a McDonald's M. Redecorated by studio art students experimenting with in situ sculpture and design, for two weeks this spring the Christian A. Johnson Memorial building became a funhouse of art.

The assignment was to construct an "installation"—a piece of art fitted to the specifics of a particular location, like a doorway, a stairwell, or a corner inside or outside the building. Well-nooked and abundantly crannied, the Johnson building's stark, colorless surfaces provided an ideal backdrop for eye-catching sculptures that made you think about space in a new way.

A number of string or ribbon constructions gave new meaning to the area below the lofty skylight ceiling of the building. "Nothing" is the wrong answer to the question "What is up there?" The correct answer, as studio art students now know, is SPACE. Hammock-sized webs in blue and yellow, red and orange, pink and white crisscrossed the corners of the 4th floor ledge, apparently inspired by arachnids. My favorite of the string installations, fabricated by Aaron Albright '91 and Eric Vikstrom '89, came down from the same ledge and anchored itself both to the 3rd floor balcony and to a wooden frame, creating a net-like tunnel. When you looked up at it, the diagonal strands really zinged the eyes.

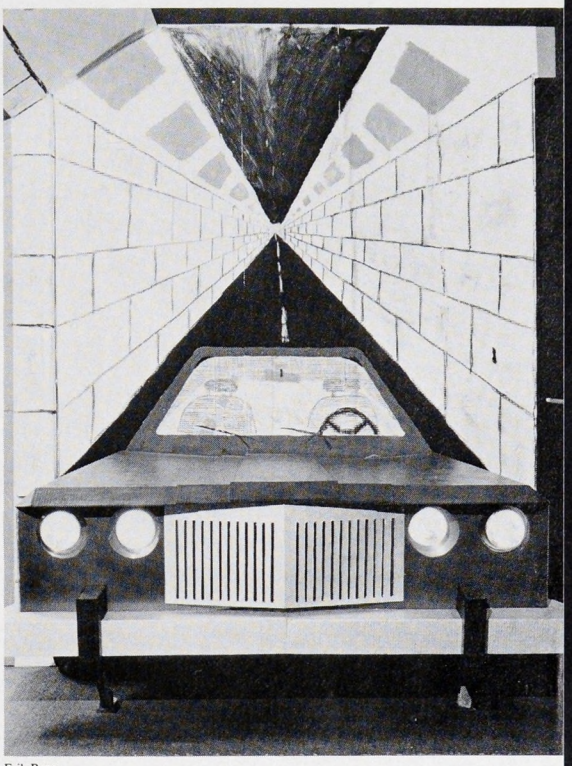
Penetrating a different space was another tunnel, something like the Callahan Tunnel in Boston. A piece of painted cardboard created the perspective illusion of a tunnel built into a wall. Out of the wall protruded the red glossy hood of a car, complete with imitation chrome bumper and grille, four working headlights, and thick black tires—"eight-inch mags," the artists John Ogden '89 and Ashar Nelson '90 exulted. They didn't have a particular model in mind when they constructed their cardboard cruiser, but, Nelson said, "It had to be stylish."

Through the windshield you could see two empty bucket seats, suggesting that this is an automobile in need of an exorcism. And unless you were from New York City and therefore used to jumping in front of cars, it was intimidating to look at it head on. During the class critique, the suggestion was made that they put a device beneath the carpet so that every time someone walked in front of the vehicle, a car horn would sound. Ogden and Nelson didn't go that far, but they did provide some sound effects. From under the hood came the hard-driving beat of good driving songs.

Meanwhile, outside the Johnson building, it looked like the "Fruit of the Loom" lady had been stretching some brief's waistbands. Annie Robinson '88 and Jody Perlberger '91 installed an oversized still life. Made of a chicken wire skeleton under a layer of brightly colored tissue paper beneath a skin of cellophane, the banana was 8 feet long, and the apple, pear, and orange were each about 3 feet in diameter. The grapes, made of purple balloons, would have tempted Ernest and Julio Gallo to abandon their west coast vineyards.

"A lot of people thought it was a big fruitbasket," said Robinson, who explained that the motive was to install some colorful, organic shapes as a contrast to the gray geometrics of the building and the colorlessness of the March landscape. The incongruity of the big fruit made viewers respond with a sense of humor. Said Robinson, "People just sort of got a kick out of it."

These installations taught that sculpture does not necessarily mean clay or marble; a vast assortment of materials was available for use. The art studio work space for the design students began as a clean, well-lighted place. Bales of cardboard sheets, uniform in size and shape, were neatly stacked almost to the ceiling. There were rolls of chicken wire, scores of unopened white containers containing powdered paints in a rainbow of colors, several beefy oversized skeins of yarn, boxes of pins, and cases of gluesticks for the glueguns that lay in neat groups of twos and threes on the tabletops. Then you could still see the tabletops. You could even get around the room if you wanted to.



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Traffic problems were just one of the issues when art students redecorated the Johnson building this spring.

A few weeks later, the cardboard columns were reduced to a few lowly bales, and cardboard cutouts and scraps littered the floor, along with crumples of chicken wire, enough sticks and branches to start a bonfire, and various unidentified types of debris. The tables were so cluttered with cardboard, splotchy cups of mixed paints, scraps of newsprint, shards of glass, and papier-mache appendages that retrieving a glue gun—much less a gluestick—was a major excavation.

Not everybody was thrilled with being made suddenly aware of space that's usually perceived as purely functional. I overheard a non-student couple who had come into Johnson for a gallery talk. The man asked the woman if they ought to hang their coats in the front lobby. "That place is blocked down there," she replied doubtfully. "They've got some of their 'so-called' art on the steps."

—Leslie Virostek '88

COLLEGE STREET BEAT

Republicans redux: "Kind of dead" is one of the ways that people have characterized the College Republicans this year. But when the group called a resuscitational meeting this spring, about 30 optimistic conservatives turned up.

A few early-comers socialized before the meeting began. For the most part, they seemed to be old friends, chatting about economics courses and an upcoming political science lecture. One friendly woman was circulating about the room with a blue folder. Would I like to sign up to help Vice President George Bush's campaign? she asked politely. I politely declined, but felt that I had not lost her good will. Next I was spotted by the College Republican's affable new leader, Patrick Mancuso '90, who came over to meet "the only unfamiliar face in the room." He even shook my hand. Not wanting him to give away any party secrets to a non-member, I confessed that I had not come to join the College Republicans. "I'm here as a reporter," I said, waving my notebook. He was clearly disappointed, but remained as upbeat as ever.

"A lot of people are saying that it's about time the College Republicans got it together," said Mancuso to start the meeting. "And it's true. I think this election year is a good opportunity for us to re-establish ourselves on this campus." Affirmative nods and murmurs of approval rippled through the ranks. He explained that one important part of this revitalization effort would be the publication of a monthly newspaper next year, which will provide a place for the expression of "the conservative voice" on campus.

Mancuso also outlined the responsibilities of the group's three committees: the first maintains contacts in Washington, D.C., and monitors national and international affairs; the second keeps track of major issues in Vermont; and the third presents the Republican viewpoint on the local and campus levels. With proper decorum and graciousness (nominees left the room during the vote), a chairman and a secretary were formally elected for each committee. Also elected were class representatives.

Presumably not wanting to be taken for uncaring politicos, the group talked of doing some kind of a fund-raiser for charity, which Mancuso thought was a good way to enhance the conservative reputation. "Republicans aren't bad people," he told the party members. He also mentioned that the College Republicans have a budget and can even sponsor social activities. "Hey," called a guy in the back of the room, "can we take a trip to Bill Buckley's house?"

The general optimism of the group seemed to indicate that the fall looks promising for campus conservatives. As Mancuso himself put it, he hoped people would soon be saying, "Oh, wow, the College Republicans. They actually DO something."

—Leslie Virostek '88

Still relevant: Four sets of red and blue stage lights, numerous black boxes, speakers, amps, and tons of electrical equipment looked a bit incongruous against the fine wood and imposing organ pipes of Mead Chapel. But as Arlo Guthrie apologized during his April visit to Middlebury, "If you wanna end war and stuff you gotta sing loud."

Preparations for the concert, in fact, weren't elaborate by modern-day standards. Student Activities Assistant Jim Terhune '86 reported, "All these other bands request fancy food. All Arlo wanted was a tunafish sandwich and an order of french fries." On the day of the show, the student activities office, which had been contacted by groupies from all over the country, received a particularly odd phone call. "If we leave Lebanon, New Hampshire now, will we get there in time for the show?" the woman asked in a folksy accent. "See, my husband—he's a friend of Arlo's—he's got to see him because Arlo is going to borrow his guitar" (pronounced GUI-tar).

Concert day, as it happened, fell on Earth Day, the holiday that once drew more notice. Environmental Quality, a Middlebury student organization, sent a t-shirt backstage with a picture of the Earth on the back and the words, "Love Your Mother"; they also sent a message reminding Guthrie of the special occasion. He didn't wear the shirt for the performance, but he did thank the students for the gift during the show and spoke about his love for the Earth.

Guthrie told lots of stories; in fact, he had a hard time completing any song without interrupting himself. He talked, for instance, about when he first started out and he didn't have a band: "Back then it was just me and my guitar. Somebody had to play it." About going to a new school in which he was the only one who didn't know all the words to "This Land Is Your Land": "Nobody every told me that my dad's songs was sung outside of the house." And about going to Denmark: "I didn't need to go there. I got drunk on a train somewhere in England and..."

Guthrie is no longer the skinny youth who slouched on the cover of the *Hobo's Lullaby* album and made members of the establishment want to say, "Kid, we don't like your kind." With his weathered features and wanton mass of shoulder-length gray hair, he looks more like the guru that you might find on a mountain top. His comic facial expressions are still youthful, nonetheless, ranging from the surprise of a child who has just discovered that when he laughs he hears a funny sound, to the confusion of Arlo the little kid who kept interrupting himself.

And Guthrie is still singing the same ballads about injustice and war. "I don't mind singing the songs," he said. "I'm just ashamed that they're still relevant." With characteristic mock wonder in his voice, he commented on President Reagan's foreign policy and about having discovered on recent trips abroad that "the President isn't as popular in foreign countries as he is here."

Guthrie does play new songs—like one about parents who are throwbacks to the '60s and have kids who tell them that "universal love is such a drag." When he returned home recently after a long tour, Guthrie noted, his four kids met him at the door with some serious business. "They picked the littlest, cutest one to be the spokesman, and she said, 'Dad, we think you should get your hair cut.'"

Toward the end of the more than two-hour show, Guthrie played harmonica and keyboard at the same time. A few soulful bars of "Amazing Grace" floated up and blossomed in the chapel's fertile acoustics. "I like this place," he said, looking up at the ceiling ap-

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Opposite: This year's two graduating music majors Laura Ludwig '88 and Andrew Spencer '88 offer Commencement commentary on co-education and the equality of the sexes.

Teamwork On Financial Aid

At a Washington, D.C., dinner in April, Middlebury College honored U.S. Senator Robert T. Stafford '35, who retires this year after 35 years of political service for the State of Vermont. Support for education has been one of Senator Stafford's top priorities. In recognition of the Senator's efforts, President Reagan recently signed into law a bill renaming the Guaranteed Student Loan program, which each year provides three million students with funds for education, as the Robert T. Stafford Student Loan program. Financial aid for qualified students who wish to attend colleges like Middlebury requires a team approach; the federal government, state governments, educational institutions, and private supporters must work together to provide sufficient funding and a variety of funding methods to meet student needs. "The system is working, and it's important that it keep working," says Senator Stafford. "The financial aid system is putting higher education within the grasp not only of those who can afford it, but those who deserve it. I'm proud that Middlebury is doing its part."

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